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QUESTION OF THE STRAITS.

Allies Said to be in Accord.

FINANCIAL DISCUSSION ADJOURNED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Lausanne, December 5.
It has now been arranged that the Straits commission shall sit to-morrow to continue the discussion on the freedom of the Straits.
The Allied views on this subject, which are in complete accord, will be communicated to the Conference.
It is hardly possible to say what the Russians and Turks will do, but it is considered probable that they will ask for time for consideration.

Italians Undecided.

Paris, December 5.
The *Petit Parisien's* Lausanne correspondent asserts that while Lord Curzon and M. Barrère have completely agreed with regard to the Straits, the Italians are inclined to agree with Chicherin's proposal.
Marquis Geronzi has telegraphed to Rome for fresh instructions.

Ottoman Public Debt.

Lausanne, December 5.
The financial sub-commission has discussed the Turkish proposal to allocate part of the Ottoman public debt to succession states of Turkey.

The French representative on the Ottoman public debt administration favoured the proposal, but the British representative objected. The Turks requested time to reply, and the discussion was adjourned until December 7.

Allies Now Unanimous.

A meeting of the Allies has resulted in a common agreement, which will be presented at to-morrow's conference, at which the Russians and Turks will be present.

Allied Concessions.

Lausanne, December 5.
Although secrecy is maintained with regard to the Allied conclusions, the impression is that the Allies will limit the number of warships traversing the Straits, besides offering the Turks a further concession.

Greeks Not Wanted.

Lausanne, December 5.
Rizansur, the second Turkish delegate, in a statement to journalists, declared it was necessary that the Greeks leave Turkey, including Constantinople, as the two nations could no longer live together after their late experiences, but the Armenians and Jews could remain.

Serious Events at Constantinople.

Constantinople, December 5.
Two serious incidents have occurred in connection with the movements of refugees.

Turkish police yesterday prevented the embarkation of Greeks and Armenians from Constantinople, whereupon the British occupied the customs house, and troops with machine-guns protected the embarkation.

The Turkish police to-day prevented the disembarkation of refugees aboard a French steamer from Samsoun, despite Allied permission.

The High Commissioners are considering the matter.

AMERICAN POLITICS.

Some Forthcoming Changes.

Washington, December 5.
The new Progressive bloc in the Senate won a victory when it obtained from the Agriculture Committee a favourable report on the resolution with the object of abolishing the electoral college for the selection of a President and Vice-President.

The reform would require a constitutional amendment. It is also proposed to fix the Presidential inauguration day as the third Monday in January instead of March 4th, and make all Congressmen begin their terms of service on the first Monday in January.

President Harding has again sent to the Senate the nomination of Pierce Butler, of St. Paul, as an Associate Judge of the Supreme Court, which Congress, on Senator La Follette's objection, failed to ratify on Monday.

Mr. Harding's address to Congress is not expected before Thursday.

BRITAIN'S AGRICULTURE.

Mr. Lloyd George as Champion.

London, December 5.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Lloyd George strongly urged far-reaching and drastic overhauling of agriculture as the only means of solving unemployment and securing national safety and prosperity.

Mr. Bonar Law said he was willing to consider the advisability of instituting a commission of enquiry, and in the meantime was considering the question of scientific farming and the extension of credit facilities to farmers.

He declared that the questions of subsidies and protection had both been ruled out.

ATTITUDE OF NATIONAL LIBERALS.

Close Vote on Protection Issue.

London, December 5.
The House of Commons has rejected by 269 to 207 votes a Liberal amendment to the address demanding the repeal of the Safeguarding of Industries Act as a protectionist measure.

The division was interesting as indicative of the attitude of the National Liberals.

The minority consisted of Labourites, Liberals, twenty National Liberals, and four Conservatives, while thirty-five National Liberals, including all the ex-Ministers, abstained from voting.

LABOUR'S HOURS.

Questions in Parliament.

London, December 5.
In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. Barlow said that, pending further consideration, it was not proposed to introduce legislation legalising a 48-hour working week on the lines of the Washington conference discussions.

He was not aware that most of the European countries had already legalised a 48-hour week. The convention had only been ratified by a very small number of countries, such as Greece, India and Czechoslovakia.

BEVAN GETS SEVEN YEARS.

Crowd at the Old Bailey.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, December 5.
Gerard Lee Bevan has been found guilty and sentenced to seven years' penal servitude for fraud in connection with the City Equitable balance sheet.

Judge's Strong Comments.

London, December 5.
Well-known city men and a number of women were among the crowd at the Old Bailey during the closing scene in the Bevan trial.
Mr. Justice Avey, summing up, referred to the suggestion of Bevan's responsibility as chairman of the fire insurance company being no greater than that of the other directors, and declared that Bevan was undoubtedly the dominating spirit in the company's financial affairs.

Alluding to a certain War Bonds transaction of twenty thousand sterling and the defendant's explanation thereof as "window dressing," his Lordship expressed astonishment that such a transaction was possible in the city to-day.

The jury convicted Bevan on fifteen counts, adding a rider that the offences were possible owing to the other directors not doing their duty.

Mr. Justice Avey, in sentencing the accused, emphasised the effect of the prisoner's conduct destroying the confidence of the public in the insurance business, and the injury he had done to the city's commercial reputation, while the offence was aggravated by his flight.

IRELAND'S GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

New Dominion Comes Into Being.

London, December 5.
Mr. Cosgrave's unexpected meeting with Mr. Healy at Holyhead was the first confirmation of the long-current report of Mr. Healy's appointment, which has not yet been officially announced, though the duties of Governor-General will begin at midnight, when the Irish Free State comes into existence as a British Dominion after Royal assent has been given to the Constitution Bill.

A special Order-in-Council has already handed over the administration of the country to the Provisional Government, hence there will be no ceremony of any kind to-morrow to mark the fulfilment of the Treaty.

American Comment.

New York, December 5.
The American papers comment on the selection of Mr. Healy as a stroke of political genius and tact.

Official Announcement.

London, December 5.
In the House of Lords the Royal assent was given to the Irish Constitution Bill by Royal Commission in the customary form, and subsequently Mr. Healy's appointment was officially announced.

Precautionary Measures.

London, December 5.
The last hours of the Irish Provisional Government were full of anxiety, and elaborate precautions were taken to ensure the safety of members of the Dail in anticipation of the possibility of a final attempt by the irregulars to delay legal enactment of the Constitution. Mr. Cosgrave's departure from Dublin last night was kept secret, and his arrival at Holyhead was unexpected.

It was announced in Dublin to-night, that Mr. Cosgrave has been ordered a two months' rest cure, and has been advised to go to the South of France.

The police at Liverpool have seized twenty-five thousand rounds of ammunition and twelve casks of chemicals on two ships bound for Ireland.

OPIUM IN THE COLONIES.

How Britain is Proceeding.

London, December 5.
The Home Office has issued a statement reviewing the action taken by the British Government under the International Opium Convention in British Colonies, and concludes by emphasising that a steady, continuous effort has been made during the last decade to reduce the practice of opium-smoking in British Colonies and Protectorates where it is prevalent.

The general policy has been to exercise close control over the trade and bring the average consumption within moderate limits, and as far as possible prevent the illicit introduction of supplies.

It does not seem possible to go further so long as the production and distribution are unchecked in neighbouring countries.

Complete suppression can only be attained by simultaneous measures in all the countries concerned.

BRITISH TRADE WITH JAVA.

New Combination Proposed.

London, December 5.
The overseas committee of the Federation of British Industries is recommending its members to adopt a scheme whereby a given number of representative British manufacturers of non-competitive lines shall form a limited company in Java, each to subscribe an agreed sum, for a maximum of eighteen months, the profits to be divided proportionately.

Further business will be conducted through the existing channels where possible.

SOUTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE.

To Discuss Disarmament.

Rio de Janeiro, December 5.
In addition to the disarmament conference by the five central American republics, at Washington, military and naval experts from Brazil, Argentina and Chile will probably confer at Valparaiso in January on the question of disarmament.

It is hoped in America that the beneficial results of the Washington conference will thus be extended.

DEATH OF SIR FRANCIS FLEMING.

Former Colonial Secretary of Hongkong.

London, December 5.
The death has occurred of Sir Francis Fleming, K.C.M.G., who had a distinguished career in the Colonial Civil Service, his last appointment being Governor of the Leeward Islands, 1895-1901. He was Colonial Secretary, Hongkong, in 1899.

PIRACY REGULATIONS.

A Novel Point Raised.

What appears to be a very novel point in connection with the interpretation of the Piracy Prevention Ordinance was raised in the Police Court this morning by Mr. Leo D'Almada, who was defending the manager of the Sao Yap Steamship Company. A summons was brought against the manager, Mr. Tsang Ching-lao, and his two sureties under the Ordinance, Messrs. Li Man-kai and Ng Kin-cho, to show cause why the sum of \$5,000 secured by a bond should not be forfeited because of breaches of the piracy regulations.

It was alleged in the summons that the s.s. "On Lee," which runs between Hongkong and Kowloon, was, on August 26th, in the waters of the Colony, being then on a voyage and then in a danger zone improperly equipped; the grills not being closed and not having locks affixed to them.

Mr. H. K. Holmes, Crown Solicitor, appeared to prosecute and Mr. D'Almada defended.

In opening the case, Mr. Holmes stated that Sergeant Shannon boarded the vessel off Castle Peak and found passengers on board. Grills were provided, as required, but they were open and some of them were wedged with dried paint, showing that they had not been closed for a long time. There were no locks on the grills, and although there might have been locks in the storeroom of the ship, it seemed to him futile and ridiculous to keep locks in a storeroom when they might be required in an urgent emergency. The vessel was on its homeward run. He was not prepared to go on with the case now, and asked for a remand.

Mr. D'Almada also wanted a remand, but said he wished to raise a preliminary objection to the wording of the summons. He wanted to know how Castle Peak could at one and the same time be "within the waters of the Colony" and also "within a danger zone." He thought there was no case for him to answer because a "danger zone" was beyond the waters of the Colony—between Hongkong and some other place. If "the waters of the Colony" could be termed a "danger zone," then a pirate-infested harbour must have been contemplated by the Legislature.

This point was discussed at some length by the two solicitors and the Magistrate. Mr. D'Almada contended that a boat within the limits of the waters of the Colony could never be in a danger zone and that the Ordinance was at fault in not clearly stating what it meant.

Mr. Holmes contended that a boat was supposed to be on its voyage the moment it pulled away from the pier and not after it had left "Hongkong waters." Ferry boats plying across the harbour were never intended to be covered by the Ordinance, neither were big ocean-going vessels. Boats on the river runs were intended to be covered and were in a danger zone as soon as they started on their voyage.

The Magistrate thought he had to give some meaning to the word "Hongkong"—whether that meant the centre of the Colony or its limits.

Mr. Holmes said a ship was in a "danger zone" all the while she was on her way, but Mr. D'Almada pointed out that the wording of the Ordinance was "between Hongkong, etc."

After the point had been discussed for some time, all parties said they would like time to consider it and discuss it at greater length. The case was therefore adjourned until December 14th, at 11.30 a.m.

BAVARIAN PREMIER STUBBORN.

Berlin, December 5.
Vorwärts publishes a message from Munich stating that Doctor Von Knilling, the Bavarian Premier, has resolved not to sign the letter of apology required by the Allies for the recent attacks on Allied officers.

Von Knilling will arrive in Berlin to-day to confer with the Chancellor.

M. CLEMENCEAU PAYS CALLS.

Washington, December 5.
M. Clemenceau, accompanied by the French Ambassador, M. Jusserand, visited President Harding at the White House, and will visit ex-President Wilson to-morrow.

The visit to the White House was purely courteous, and without political significance. The veteran ex-Premier remained with Mr. Harding for forty minutes.

THE MENACE OF ANTHRAX.

London, December 5.
The International Advisory Committee on Anthrax, established by the International Labour Conference, has met in London. South Africa, Australia, India and Japan were represented. It was resolved to recommend the nations represented to take definite steps by agreement to combat anthrax.

M.C.C. CABLE FOR NEW MAN.

London, December 5.
In response to Mann's cable, requesting a wicket keeper to be sent out owing to Livesey being injured and Brown falling ill, Street of Sussex, sails for South Africa on Dec. 8.

HOLLAND AND THE WHITE SLAVES.

The Hague, December 5.
The Government has tabled a Bill seeking the Second Chamber's approval of the League of Nations convention dealing with the white slave traffic.

PECULIAR CANADIAN FIRES.

Quebec, December 5.
The fifth recent fire in Canadian Roman Catholic institutions had occurred, destroying the Sulpician Church, and also the seminary and priests' residence.

GREEK EXILES AT BRINDISI.

Brindisi, December 5.
Prince and Princess Andrew of Greece have arrived on the British cruiser Calypso.

NEW GREEK TIME.

Athens, December 5.
Papoulas, who was arrested on November 30, has been released p.m.

U.S. MARINES CHARGED.

Roubles or U.S. Notes?

Four American naval marines of U.S.S. Helena were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Police Court to-day, with defrauding a Chinese shopkeeper, of J. J. J. Street, of three rolls of silk, by false pretences. It was alleged against them that they tendered, in payment for the silk, notes which they said were American notes, whereas they were not. There was a second charge against them of stealing a gold ring from another shopkeeper of 204, Queen's Road. The men were Joseph Plummer, a 1st Sergeant; John Joseph Montgomery, a Corporal; Frank Van Ashley, a Private; and Charles Henry Bytheway, a Private.

When the charge was read over to them in Court they denied all knowledge of the case. They said they knew nothing about the notes or about the ring.

Inspector Willis, who prosecuted, asked for a remand. He said the notes tendered appeared to be Russian notes of 25 roubles each. He wanted a remand because he wished to make further inquiries, as there might be further charges. The men were remanded until to-morrow morning in police custody.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Chuselo and Palermo, the famous illusionists, commence their season at the Theatre Royal on the 9th.—Page 4.

The 39th annual fête of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be held on the 10th. inst.—Page 12.

Alterations in the time table of the Peak Tramways are given on Page 9.

Particulars and conditions of the letting by public auction of one lot of Crown Land, are given on Page 4.

At the Coronet Theatre to-night "The Old Swinmin' Hole" will be screened, whilst at Kowloon Theatre, "A Slave of Vanity" will fill the bill.—Page 12.

The s.s. "Nippon" having arrived with cargo, consignees are given the usual notice.—Page 4.

Tobler's famous chocolate is on sale in Hongkong and Kowloon.—Page 3.

The feature at the World Theatre is "A Mountain Woman."—Page 4 and 12.

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The Dairy Farm Company have a fine selection of Xmas Poultry.—Page 7.

To-night the Pavlova Company will perform "The Magic Flute" and "Autumn Leaves."—Page 4.

The Sincere Company draw attention to their Christmas display.—Page 8.

The attraction at the Star Theatre to-night is "The Love Burglar."—Page 12.

There are some office rooms to let in the central district.—Page 4.

"Selected Odes of Hyacinth" translated into English verse, are now on sale.—Page 4.

The new school year at St. Stephen's College commences on January 3rd.—Page 4.

Particulars of interesting auction sales on the 11th and 13th. inst. are given on Page 4.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2.49 1/2.

The Weather.

2 p.m. Barometer—30.13. Temperature—69. Humidity—47.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

IRELAND'S GOVERNOR-GENERAL.
London, Dec. 5.
In response to the appointment of Mr. T. M. Healy, K.C., as Governor-General of the Irish Free State, President Cosgrave and General Mulcahy arrived at Holyhead last night to meet Mr. Healy on his arrival from London.
They warmly congratulated him upon his appointment and accompanied him on his journey to Dublin this morning.
President Cosgrave, in an interview, said that the appointment of Mr. Healy was most popular with all parties. He hoped it would mark a turning point in Ireland's career.
President Cosgrave went on to say that he was confident Ireland's condition was rapidly improving, as was evidenced by the large increase in the Export Returns this year.
He concluded: "The union of North and South cannot be long delayed for the dividing line is unnatural."

TRADE FACILITIES ACT.
London, Dec. 5.
In the House of Commons, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, moved the financial resolution, authorising an amendment to the Trade Facilities Act. The amendment is to increase the aggregate amount of loans guaranteeable to £50,000,000, guaranteeing the Austrian Loan, arranged by the League of Nations and the Sudan Government Irrigation Loan.

The debate disclosed some hostility to the Austrian Loan, the Communist, Mr. Newbold, declaring that the last minute effort to save Austria was in the interests of a bond-holding clique of unscrupulous rascals.
The Liberal, Mr. Pringle, moved an amendment, limiting the guarantees to undertakings within the United Kingdom. This was eventually defeated by 195 votes to 106, after a discussion lasting six hours. The resolution was passed without a division, at 5 o'clock in the morning.

AMERICAN POLITICS.
Washington, Dec. 5.
The regular session of Congress opened to-day. The Opposition has abandoned the filibuster against the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill. The Ship Subsidy Bill was referred to the Commerce Committee of the Senate.
It is understood the Senators, who are opposing the Ship Subsidy Bill have conferred informally with a view to a prolonged filibuster against the Bill. The movement is under the leadership

THE RUMANIAN DEBT.
New York, Dec. 5.
The Rumanian Debt Commission, who is leaving here for home, declared that the American Government has agreed to the drafting of a plan to settle the Rumanian Debt along similar lines to that governing the Austrian Debt, provided the Allied States interested are willing to agree.

REFUGEES FROM TURKEY.
Constantinople, Dec. 5.
The refugees, who have recently left here, numbered: 110,000 Orthodox Greeks, 15,000 Armenians, 12,000 Russians, 7,000 Jews, 6,000 Turks and 20,000 of various nationalities.

GREEK GENERALS SET FREE.
Athens, Dec. 5.
General Pallas, Valletta and Adactilos were released to-day. The last-named was formerly Chief-of-Staff.

SANITARY BOARD.

Undergrowth Cut.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon, presided over by Mr. G. L. Sayer. Those present were Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sen, Mr. S. W. Tso, Dr. Koch, Dr. W. W. Pearce and Dr. Ozorio.
The chairman announced that the Botanical and Forestry Department had cut 8,256,900 square feet of undergrowth this year, as compared with 3,100,000 in the preceding year. Undergrowth had been cleared for a distance of 100 feet from houses instead of 50 feet as heretofore.
The Director of Public Works had trained 12 out of a list of 22 selected nullahs. It had not been possible, owing to shortage of staff, to deal with the other 10, but the work would be pressed forward in 1923.

The discussion on the motion by the Medical Health Officer regarding a proposed amendment to the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance and the statement of the Medical Health Officer regarding Government measures for the

MADAME ISIS.

(Our Own Correspondent.)
Shanghai, Dec. 5.
The American Commissioner, at the preliminary hearing to-day, ruled that the Court had no jurisdiction to try Madame Isis. He rules that the new law decrees that she is not an American citizen.

The U. S. District Attorney asserts that if such is the case, he will prosecute the husband of Madame Isis as an accessory.

UNREST IN TSINGTAO.

(Our Own Correspondent.)
Shanghai, Dec. 5.
The disturbed conditions at Tsingtao have prompted the China Steam Navigation Co. to cancel the call of the s.s. Teh Shing at that port, on the way to Chefoo.

prevention of malaria in Morrison Hill are reported elsewhere.
Approval was given to the erection of four sets of water-closets, numbering 13 in all, in the Peak neighbourhood.

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OVERCROWDING.

Sanitary Board Decision.

The Sanitary Board, at its meeting yesterday afternoon, unanimously endorsed a recommendation of the Medical Officer of Health that the Government be asked to amend the existing Ordinance which at present permits of overcrowding in Chinese houses, such overcrowding being, in the opinion of the Board, dangerous to the public health. The motion of the Medical Officer of Health (Dr. F. W. Pearce) was as follows:—"That the Government be asked to amend the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance to provide that mezzanine floors or cocklofts, as defined in the Ordinance, shall not be maintained in any floor of a domestic building other than the ground floor."

Speaking to his motion, the Medical Officer of Health said that he made this proposal in order to reduce the overcrowding which was such an evil in the Colony. Members would see that the definition of "mezzanine floor" was very peculiar, mezzanine floors and cocklofts were treated as one and the same thing, and the meaning was quite different from the one given by architects to the term "mezzanine floor." What happened was that in the usual Chinese house, between one floor and the floor above, or the roof, as the case might be, there was a platform which, in the Chinese house, as now built, gave the opportunity of putting in about 40 per cent. more people than there was actually room for. Taking houses 35 feet in depth, such as were being built at present, the number of people who could be accommodated without cubicles would be about 16 and a fraction; but a cockloft of 200 square feet could be erected and that would give accommodation for over six more—that is to say 40 per cent. more than the floors themselves would accommodate.

Not Retrospective.
The Building Authority, since passing this Ordinance, had made a regulation that all these cocklofts should be supported by piers from the ground surface, to prevent danger of collapse, and it did not seem to him a very great expense to adapt the shape of a floor in such a way that a floor which did not come under the definition of a mezzanine floor could be erected with a proper heading and its own light. He did not go so far as to propose that any cocklofts already erected under the present Ordinance should be removed but, in view of the fact that the town was extending and that there was room for many thousands of houses on Kowloon side, he

thought the Ordinance should be altered to prevent the great overcrowding from which the Colony was suffering. In reply to Mr. Tso, who asked whether the proposal related to Kowloon or Hongkong property, the Medical Officer of Health said the proposal was that the Ordinance should be amended to make any such houses illegal after the passing of the amending Ordinance.

Dr. Koch stated that he would second it for no other reason than that the overcrowding among the poorer classes was "absolutely awful." They all knew it was the cause amongst the poor of sickness which was liable to spread to other people. In a large place like this it was a great pity that more active steps could not be taken in regard to existing overcrowding; but he supposed that to do so would interfere with all sorts of interests and that no end of trouble would arise.

Mr. Tso admitted that overcrowding was a great evil at present. If the proposal did not affect existing cocklofts he raised no objection.

It was agreed to add to the motion the words "in any house hereafter erected."

Frightful.
Dr. Ozorio said his only objection to the proposal was that it was not retrospective, and he thought that if Mr. Tso had seen as many cases of overcrowding as he had, Mr. Tso would ask for it to be retrospective also. The conditions in Wanchai were "frightful."

The Medical Officer of Health said that he did not think the proposal could be made retrospective.

The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sen said that from the sanitary point of view no doubt the mover and seconder were perfectly right. Everyone knew the existence of the evil of overcrowding but it was due more to circumstances than to choice. The poor did not wish to live as they did, but they were forced by necessity to do so. He agreed that the old cocklofts should not exist; but if they were removed the people would have nowhere else to go.

Dr. Ozorio suggested a time limit of three or four years, after which the proposed amending Ordinance would be retrospective.

The Hon. Mr. Chow: I think the Government has a policy of building more houses for the poor, and if that is carried out and there are sufficient houses at a cheap rent, people will no longer wish to live in cocklofts. When that condition exists, no time limit will be necessary.

The Chairman: I think it is impossible to make it retrospective as that would involve claims for compensation.

The resolution was carried.

CHEFALO AND PALERMO.

Magicians' Visit.

On Saturday, 9th inst., the season will commence at the Theatre Royal of the Chefalo and Palermo Company. This company is well-known to the Hongkong public for its up-to-date novelties, illusions and thrills. The company has been on tour for over twelve years, and has just finished an Indian season which lasted over eleven months.

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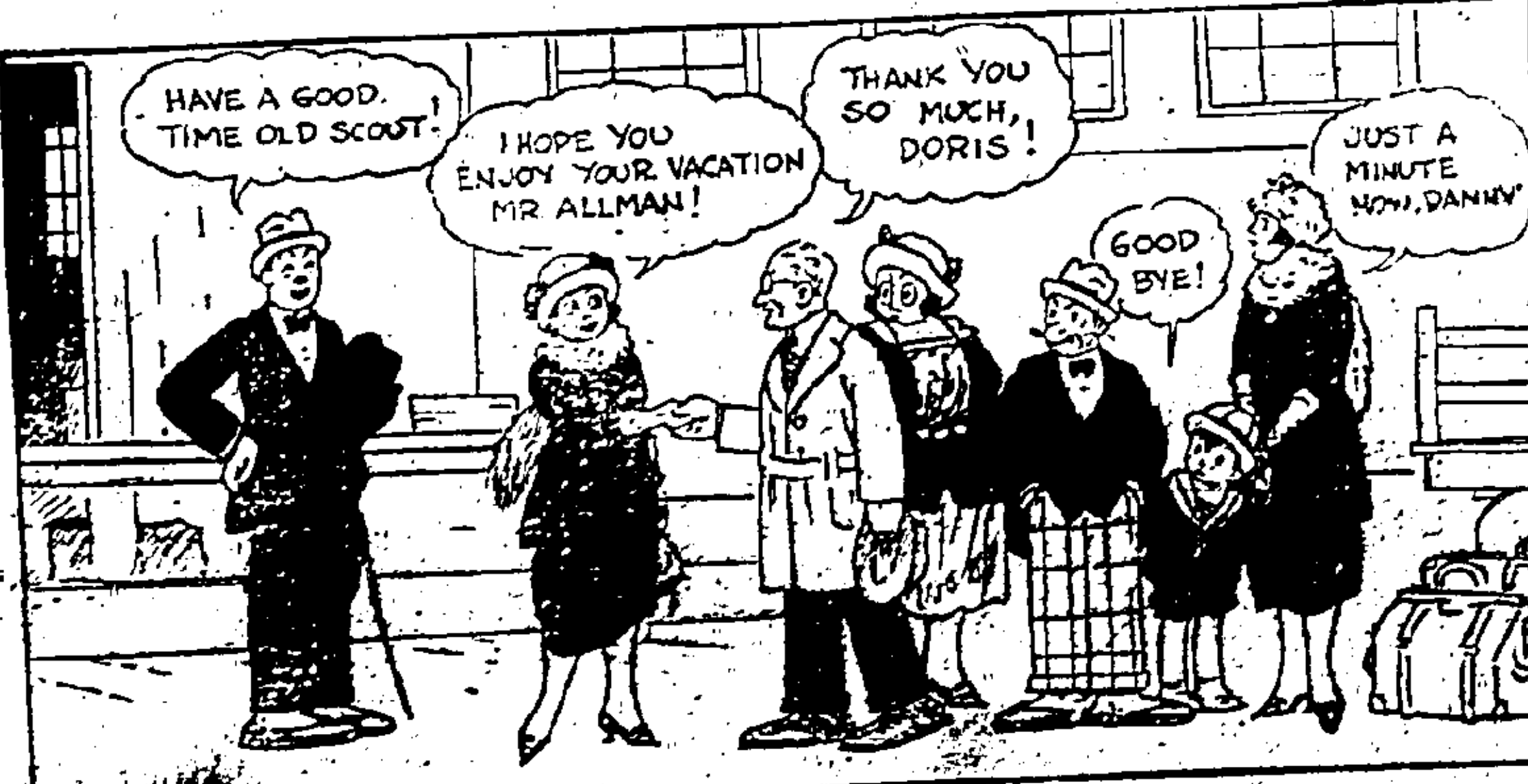
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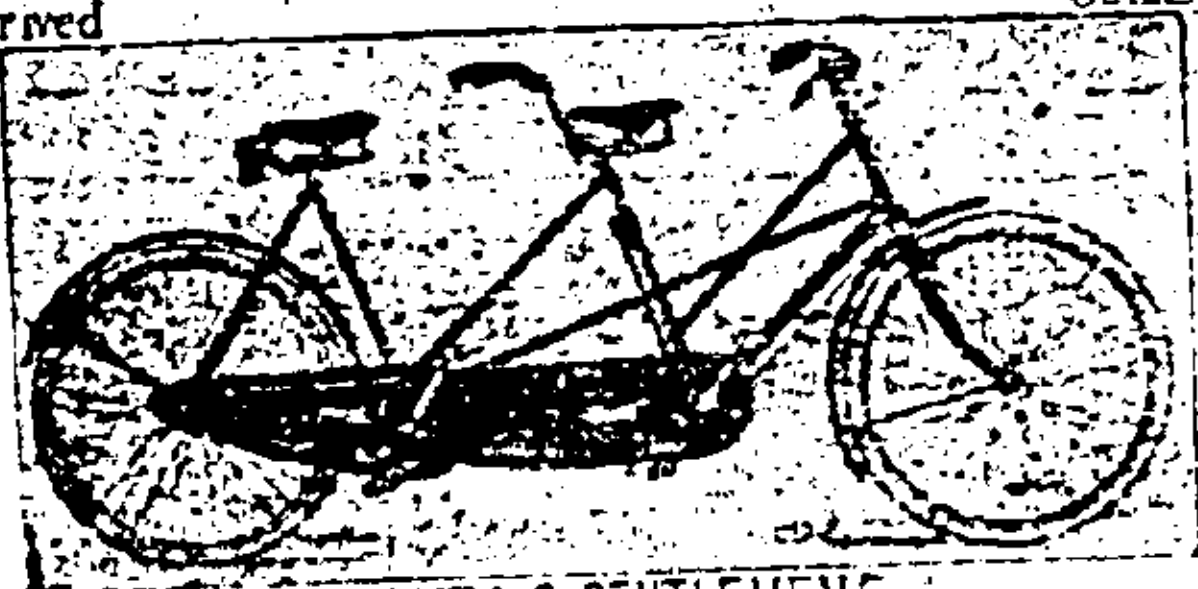
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"SUI AN" ENQUIRY.

Inspector Kent's Evidence.

An interesting feature of yesterday's proceedings of the Commission of enquiry into the Sui An piracy was the evidence of Inspector Kent.

Inspector Walter Kent, of the Hongkong Police, gave an interesting account of his experiences on the Sui An on the night of the 18th November. When he went on board with his family at Hongkong at 3.30 a.m. he noticed a Chinese woman sitting down on the starboard side. "She was very well dressed, something out of the ordinary for a Chinese woman," the Inspector said. "She was wearing black patent leather shoes, white silk stockings, a very fine serge skirt, a kind of blouse top, white undershirt and also a Japanese fox fur. To me she looked as though she was wearing corsets, which is something out of the ordinary for a Chinese woman. She was a very fine figure of a woman and I should say between 25 and 30 years of age. Shortly afterwards she was joined by a man who was dressed in a blue serge suit and a buttoned up jacket, the collar being fastened with a stud. They conversed there for three or four minutes in the Waichow dialect. They got up and went to the side of the ship. They conversed there, again and then went to the smoking room."

Witness explained that the grills on both the port and starboard sides of the wheelhouse were open on the outward journey. The grills all of the smoking room were open all the time.

The Chairman: Are you familiar with the piracy regulations?

The Inspector: No, I am not.

Did you notice any other breach of the piracy regulations on the outward voyage?—I did not.

For the return voyage, the Inspector went aboard shortly after 3 o'clock in the afternoon. He went to the saloon and had tea. Shortly after four o'clock the man and woman whom he had seen on board on the outward journey passed from the port side to the starboard side. Half an hour later a Chinese went aboard. "He was wearing blue glasses," the Inspector said, "and he also had on a very heavy overcoat which reached to his feet. It struck me as peculiar, as it was a very hot day. I watched him, and shortly afterwards, two youths, aged about 20, joined him. They were dressed in ordinary Chinese attire with long coats. He spoke to them, saying: 'We won't sit this side; the other side is better, and they went across to the starboard side.'"

"Like Sardines."

"I was going into the saloon when the firing commenced on the aft part of the bridge deck," the witness proceeded. "I went to look for my wife. Shortly after a number of passengers came in followed by three pirates, one with an automatic pistol, another with a Colt revolver and a third with a carbine, the trigger of which he kept working backwards and forwards. They fired several shots into the floor of the saloon and eventually the man with the carbine said, in Chinese: 'Keep quiet and you will not be hurt.' Then at the foremost entrance of the saloon another pirate came in with a revolver and another one from the starboard side with a weapon. He took up two knives from the saloon table and started to smash the crockery on the table. Later we were searched; all I lost at that time was a gold ring."

The Chairman: No resistance of any kind was made?

The Inspector: None whatever.

The Inspector estimated that there were quite 40 passengers and "boys" in the saloon. About an hour afterwards, they were driven into the starboard alleyway where they were searched again. "We were standing in the alleyway, packed like sardines in a box," the Inspector said. "Then the pirates came to us again. Some were fortunate enough to get placed in cabins but I, with my wife and family and some 14 or 15 others, were pushed in to the gentlemen's lavatory. There we remained until 5 o'clock. The lights were switched off and we were in total darkness. We were searched again and then taken out and put in the purser's cabin. There were others there and when we got there, the number must have been about 20. We stood in the cabin with the door shut."

The Chairman: Can you say anything as to the course followed by the ship?

Inspector Kent: The glass over the window in the lavatory is frost- ed and it was impossible for us to see anything. I should say we were going north-east. There was a north-east wind blowing and the waves were coming over the starboard bow.

Do you know anything of the conduct of the ship's guard?—I saw nothing of them.

Nor the ship's officers?—No.

How many pirates do you think there were altogether?—There were 14 boats left the ship. Some had four and some six passengers. We saw that from the purser's cabin.

Resistance Futile.

Mr. Lake: The only reason you have for saying these people you mentioned earlier took part in the piracy was because they were missing afterwards?

Witness: Yes.

Mr. McL Messer: Was any search made of people going on board at Macao?—No.

Mr. Lake: As far as you could tell there was no organisation to resist pirates?—No, it was quite a surprise. We never expected such a thing. And the surprise was a success.

Do you think the grills were any protection?—They were not as they were. I do not know if they would have been if they had been shut.

You saw some of the pirates from time to time—what sort of type were they?—Those I saw down below were chiefly youngsters. There were two men who had grey hair, two or three I should put down at about 30 years of age and some were only about 22 and very short.

Did they give you the impression of being countrymen or townsmen?—From the description of their dress they gave me the impression of being countrymen.

In reply to Mr. Shenton, the Inspector stated that the passengers were searched before going on the boat at Hongkong. The woman to whom he had referred was also searched.

Mr. Shenton: As a matter of general interest is it not a fact that the only place along the coast where people are searched is at Hongkong?—I cannot say.

The probability is that the arms which the pirates used were brought on board at Macao—I think they were.

This man who came on with a long coat was a man on whom suspicion should have rested—I should think so. If I had been on duty at the wharf and had seen a man coming along wearing a long coat like that, I should certainly have searched him.

Mr. McL Messer: Didn't the Indian guards search anyone at Macao?—I do not think so.

Mr. Shenton: Will you say that any resistance would have been futile?—Certainly.

And would only have resulted in great loss of life?—We had nothing to do anything with.

You regarded it as a complete surprise to everybody on board?—It was.

Highly organised?—It was.

At a minute's notice the ship was out of control?—In less than five minutes the ship was in the control of the pirates.

Answering further questions, the witness said there was no opportunity for organising defence. He knew that four police launches patrolled around the island at night but knew nothing about a Customs cruiser patrol from Sam Mun island.

Mr. Shenton: It comes to this, that assuming all the precautions laid down by the regulations had been carried out, it would have had no effect so far as this attack was concerned?—I would not care to say that. I do not know the structure of the ship sufficiently well and I do not know how the engine room is placed.

Replying to Mr. Davidson, Inspector Kent said that the two grills he had referred to were open when the ship left Macao.

Mr. Davidson remarked that he had been unable to find any regulation which stated that these grills were to be kept closed.

Indian Guard's Story.

The No. 1 Indian guard of the Sui An gave particulars of the disposition of the four men on duty on the night of the piracy. All were armed with revolvers and two had rifles. He was on duty at the grill in the second class and had a revolver fully loaded. Suddenly a man stood up among the second class

passengers and fired a shot at the other Indian guard there. There was great excitement. He drew his revolver but was afraid to fire for fear of hitting the passengers. He shouted to the Indian guard on duty the other side to go to the top deck. He himself rushed up and was confronted by five pirates. He fired a shot at them and three of them fired back. Some ladies appealed to him not to fire and he went aft where he saw the Captain lying on the deck with a pirate holding a revolver over him. Witness shot the pirate in the back and he fell to the deck. Five or six pirates then came up from behind him. He took shelter behind a pillar and fired at them. He succeeded in getting near the smoking room when a shot hit him on the left side and he immediately became unconscious.

Mr. McL Messer: Did the Captain give you any instructions what to do in case of piracy?—He never gave us any instructions.

Did you get any instruction from the police?—Yes, we had instructions from the police, but the Captain changed them for his own.

Did you report the matter to the police?—I never made any report.

The Sui An was a very nice job compared to other ships, was it not?—Not that, Sir.

The witness, answering further questions, said he had been on the Sui An for nearly nine months and had never seen any keys or locks for the grills between the second and third class passengers.

Mr. McL Messer: Do you think it would have been any good if you had had any guards on the bridge at the time of the piracy?—Could you have put up a fight?—Yes, I think if we had had enough ammunition we could have put up a fight.

You had six rounds with you and you ought to have had 50?—Yes.

Replying to Mr. Lake, the witness said he had received no instructions from the captain with regard to defensive measures to be taken in the event of piracy. Instructions had been given by the police.

In reply to Mr. Shenton, the witness said guards were told before joining the ship what their duties were.

Other Indian guards having given evidence, the enquiry was adjourned until this afternoon.

FORGED DELIVERY ORDER.

Chinese Firm Defrauded.

Lam Chuen, the master of a rope shop, and Tse Yung-ching, a broker, were charged before Mr. H. E. Lindsell yesterday afternoon with obtaining 500 bags of flour from the Kung On Wing firm, 73 Wing Lok Street, by means of a forged delivery order, and abetted by receiving the flour.

Mr. M. H. Turner prosecuted and Mr. A. E. Hall represented the first accused.

The evidence given by the prosecution showed that on the 18th November, an unknown individual presented at the Kung On Wing firm a forged delivery order purporting to have been issued from the Sang Loong and the Kwan Fook firms. The document requested that 500 bags of flour be handed over to the bearer, and the charge appearing on it indicated that the Sang Loong shop authorised the delivery of the 500 bags of flour to the Kwan Fook firm.

It also transpired from the evidence that prior to the 18th the Sang Loong shop had agreed to buy 5,000 bags of flour from the complainants. The bearer of the forged delivery order was furnished by the complainants with a godown warrant, by means of which the first defendant on the same day obtained from the godown of the complainants, in Coumng Road West, the flour requisitioned. An export permit was applied for and obtained from the Harbour Office, and on the same day the flour was shipped to Macao by the s.s. Cheun Chow, consigned to the Tung Cheung firm there.

Recovered in Macao.

On the 18th, after the Sang Loong shop had refused to recognise the delivery order, the managing partner of the complainant's firm left Hongkong for Macao in a steam launch at 1.45 in the morning. He made a report to the Macao police on arrival and later, boarded the Cheun Chow, where he found the 500 bags of flour waiting for delivery. The police kept watch on board and later in the day, in consequence of an attempt made by a number of coolies to take the flour ashore, the police landed in

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At the end of the evidence the second man was discharged owing to the weakness of the case.

The other defendant in his evidence asserted that the flour belonged to a friend of the second defendant, and that he was merely helping in finding a purchaser. The discharged defendant gave a different story, however, and the first defendant was committed to four weeks' hard labour.

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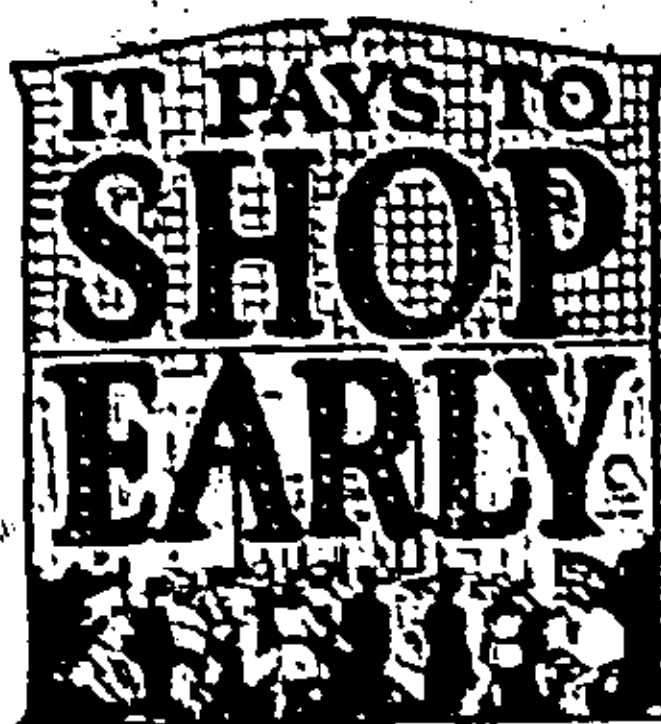
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JAPANESE SANDWICHMAN.

In Gay Trappings.

The Japanese claim that, if they are imitators, they also improve on their originals. This is certainly true of their adaptation of the paramilitary form of advertisement. The old sandwich-man in London was a disgrace to civilisation—generally exhibiting the last stages of dirt, despair, destitution, and degradation. In Japan the banner-men who carry round the advertising are as gay as popinjays. On Nov. 21st, there was a string of about fifty, all with multicoloured banners, standing in a line in Kyo-machi to have their photographs taken. It looked like a triumphal procession, but it was only to bring somebody's soap to the notice of the Emperor's subjects. Advertising of this kind must be pretty expensive. Presumably it brings returns or it would not be done. It suggests, however, that the thrift campaign is not causing people to do without washing, or anything ascetic like that. In Moto-machi and Ikuta-mae at present there are few signs of the alleged hardship.

It is difficult to get along the street, so crowded is it with buyers, and the shops seem well stocked with everything that can entice money out of people's pockets, although an inspection shows that the cheap goods are also nasty and that there is no reduction in price in the better goods.—Japan Chronicle.

MORRISON HILL SCHEME.

Measures Against Malaria.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board held yesterday afternoon Dr. F.M.G. Ozorio asked the following question: Is the Government taking any special prophylactic measures against malaria in the Morrison Hill scheme?

In reply, the Medical Officer of Health said that he did not think it necessary, in connection with the raising of Morrison Hill, to advise the Government to take any special prophylactic measures. Cutting away this hill involved cutting away the thick jungle on the side of the hill, and that would tend to diminish the prevalence of mosquitoes by taking away these sheltering places. Any accumulations of water during the work could be dealt with by the staff. There were no marshes for cooies, so he did not think any further measures than those ordinarily taken were necessary. The District Inspectors had been inspecting the work once a week to see that there were no collections of water, and they had strict instructions as to locating the storage tanks for the locomotive boilers and drawing the contractors' attention to any small accumulations of water which might occur.

Dr. Ozorio: At a later stage you will have a big area of swampy ground there.

The Medical Officer: I do not anticipate that. Collections of water in connection with operations of this kind do not usually shelter anopheline mosquitoes, only culicine mosquitoes. Pools formed in this way have to remain and grow grass round their edges before they become suitable breeding places for anopheline mosquitoes. Should there be any permanent collections it will be possible to deal with them.

CRICKET.

H. K. C. C. Teams.

First XI v Second XI on the Club ground on Saturday, 9th December, at 2.15 p.m. sharp.

First XI.—R. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, R. E. A. Webster, H. Owen Hughes, L. J. Davies, H. G. Lammett, J. D. Humphreys, B. D. C. Morgan, D. B. Pest, J. D. Crawford, A. K. Mackenzie.
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HOCKEY.

Club v. Royal Engineers.

The following will represent the Club in a match against the Royal Engineers to-day at Sookunpoo at 5 p.m.—E. W. Hamilton, E. G. England, A. Power, E. J. R. Mitchell, Rev. E. W. L. Martin, G. H. Piercy, F. H. Holdman, E. W. Major, H. Glanville, St. G. R. Clark, and B. D. Evans (Capt.).

AFTER TWENTY YEARS.

Mystery of Missing Messenger.

A twenty-year-old mystery has been cleared up by the discovery of a skeleton in the chimney of an old house in Paris during demolition.

This is believed to be the remains of a bank messenger who vanished with a bag containing the day's receipts of 24,000 in 1901. Everyone believed he had absconded, and he was condemned by default to twenty years' hard labour. An examination of the skull shows that he was murdered.

BEECH MAST.

A Neglected Gift.

Country folk in some parts of Southern England say they look for a good beech mast harvest—they never carry out the harvesting, by the way—when the nuts shall be full and oily and plentiful, every seven years. It is probably ten years since there was such profusion of this valuable food—good for man as well as beast—as there is in the broad woods of Buckinghamshire, Dorsetshire, and elsewhere this autumn, says the *Manchester Guardian*. Deer, pheasants, squirrels, and mice have reason to rejoice, but pigs are rarely turned out in the smaller woods to-day, and the nuts appear never to be garnered for the farmyard or the house. Yet an excellent oil is manufactured from them in France, which is widely used both for cooking purposes and for burning. In Silesia and other countries it is eaten by the country people instead of butter.

A similar use of beech mast has been projected in England, but has never been carried into effect, though a certain speculator in the reign of George I. went so far as to propose a scheme for paying off the national debt with the oil of beech nuts!

AT VLADIVOSTOK.

Some New Regulations.

The new Harbour Master of Vladivostok has published a provisional law concerning entrance to the harbour which was to be put into force from Friday (the 17th inst.) reports the *Asahi*. It provides that all ships coming into the harbour shall wait for signals from the watch-towers to the east of Vladivostok and on the cape of Bazalkin. If the ships do not wait for these signals they are liable to be bombarded.

It has been decided that the wireless at Rusk Island shall be transferred to Russia by the American Government, and the American war vessels were to withdraw on the 25th instant. The Nisibin was also reported to be about to withdraw.

The new Government does not recognise the taxes of the former Government, and is levying new taxes. The forestry contracts in the districts of the Maritime Province which were made with Merkuloff were all nullified by the new Government, and the revolutionary commission has issued orders not to permit the Japanese foresters to fell the trees or carry off the lumber.

THE UNDERGROUND.

Further New Works.

In addition to the new works under construction at Golders Green in connection with the Hendon and Edgware extension, the reconstruction of the City and South London Railway and the linking up of that line with the Hampstead Tube, the Underground have development schemes pending for continuing the Piccadilly Tube beyond Hammersmith, and linking up this line with Richmond and Hounslow, providing a through service of trains between these districts and the West-end.

Westminster station is to be practically rebuilt, escalators are to be installed at Tottenham Court-road, Bank, Shepherd's Bush, and Bond-street, while the escalator equipment at Oxford-circus station is to be improved. At all these stations the booking-office arrangements are to be rearranged, and new electric change-giving machines provided. The new works will cost over 25,000,000.

BOOKS FOR THE YOUNG.

A List from Canada.

The youth of Canada is commonly supposed to be exceptionally high-spirited, but perhaps we have been doing our young cousins an injustice. A leading Montreal store, advertising in a local paper, announces that it has for sale "stirring yarns for boys" by R. M. Ballantyne, Charlotte M. Yonge, F. W. Farrar, W. H. G. Kingston, Charles Kingsley, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Sir Walter Scott, Oliver Goldsmith, George Eliot, and Charles Dickens.

If the writings of Charlotte M. Yonge really have the effect of a stimulant upon the Montreal boy, there must be a great deal more quietism in his make-up than one would have imagined.

The same advertisement offers "all the Bubble Books at \$1.25 each, including the latest two—Stevenson's 'Child's Garden of Verses' and 'The Chimney Corner.' What is a Bubble Book? There are some books whose frothiness might deserve this classification, but one could hardly bring under the heading anything that came from the pen of 'R. L. S.'

EXCAVATIONS IN EGYPT.

Temple Choir of 12th Dynasty.

M. Pierre Lacau, who has succeeded M. Maspero as Director of the Service of Antiquities in Egypt, reports to the Academy of Inscriptions that at Assuan M. Engelbach has discovered a huge obelisk, 46 metres in length, that is more than twice as high as the obelisk in the Place de la Concorde.

At Karnak M. Pillet has brought to light a "naos," or choir of a temple, inscribed with the name of Senwosri I., a Pharaoh of the 12th Dynasty (about 3,000 B.C.). This "naos," M. Lacau says, is the most ancient which has hitherto been discovered.

At Saggarah Mr. Firth has opened up a funeral chamber with painted walls and containing a large sarcophagus, and a burial place for wolves worshipped as deities in the province of Assiut has been unearthed by Mr. Wainwright. A beautiful little temple dedicated to Isis has been excavated within the boundaries of the Great Temple of Hathor, at Denderah.

WIND-DRIVEN TURBINE.

French Inventors' Success.

M. Breton, former Minister and director of scientific and industrial research, has read before the Academy of Science a report made by Mm. Constantine Joessel and Daloz on the construction of a boat able to sail straight into the wind by employing the wind itself as motive power. An aerial turbine, driven by the wind, in its turn by means of machinery adapted for the purpose, drives the screw.

After a number of experiments carried out with models a boat was constructed, which, it is stated, has given remarkable results. M. Breton stated that he himself had held the rubber while the boat was navigated on the Seine in the midst of a considerable amount of shipping, when, for three hours, driven solely by its aerial motor, it sailed up and down and was brought back at the same spot from which it started.

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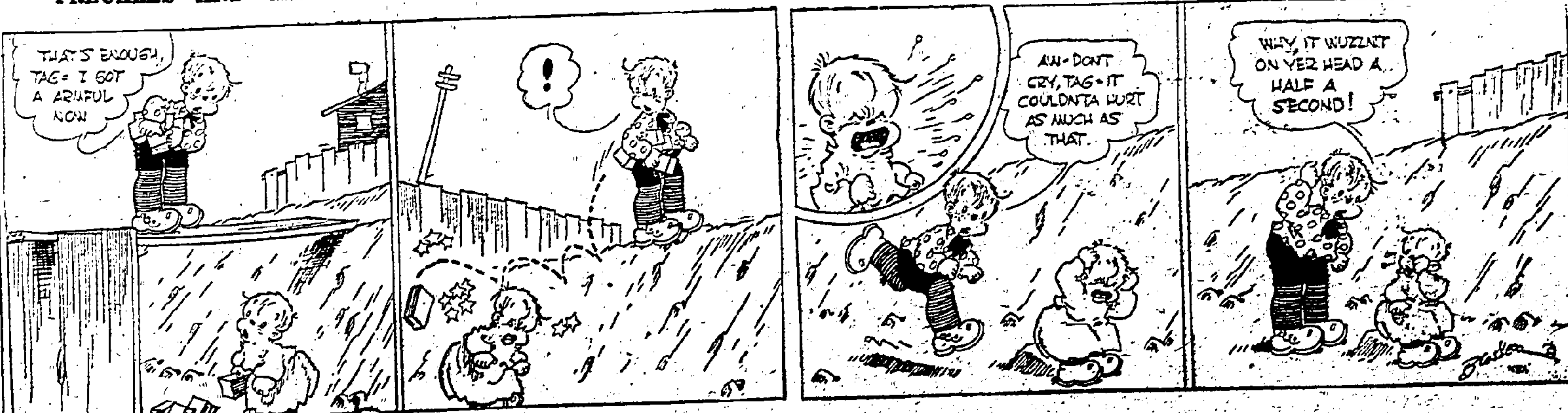
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U.S. FOREIGN POLICY.

The announcement recently made that the United States is seeking to enter the International Court of Justice formed under the auspices of the League of Nations has given rise to a deal of caustic comment in some of the American newspapers. One of the leading journals goes so far as to say that at most it is only a matter of procedure that has kept the United States from participating in the new world court, and that an effort is now being made to "save face." The Republican administration is blamed for being over-sensitive in its fear to touch anything bearing the stamp of the League of Nations, and the journal referred to remarks that "it is time this country stopped sticking its head in the sand every time the League is mentioned," adding that "our snubbing of the League has not killed it and our aloofness is becoming ridiculous. Are we," asks this paper, "to go along for ever dodging the League and walking round it as though it had no existence? That would be national folly."

It appears that America is now prepared to enter the International Court provided she may officially name her own representatives, to do which the method of selection would have to be changed. The point is obviously one of procedure rather than principle. It is, at any rate, a decided anomaly that the United States, which has for so long preached the adjustment of international disputes through a court of justice, should be without representation on this Hague Tribunal, the only American member at present being Judge Moore, who is without official recognition from the States and who was nominated by Belgium. The past reluctance to become associated with the Court has undoubtedly been due to fear of party taunts and is in line with the American policy to keep as aloof as possible from European "entanglements." But events are slowly but surely drawing the United States into closer contact with the outside world, just as the war inevitably brought about American association with us and our Allies on the European battlefields. America's insularity cannot continue for ever; she must of necessity take her place alongside the other progressive nations of the West.

The point naturally suggests itself that, once a member of the Court, America must, by degrees, come into closer relationship with Europe. The U. S. Democrats say, with some force, that no court can be effective without a sheriff to back up its orders, and that a political union of all the nations standing by the international court to enforce its decisions against recalcitrants is essential. And so it looks. Courts without power cannot do a great deal. Thus the resolve of the United States to participate in the Hague tribunal may in the long run prove to be the beginning of a new era in American foreign policy.

The Arms Case.

We think there will be very general approval of the remarks and sentence passed by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate's yesterday when he dealt with the case against the two American ship's officers who were caught red-handed importing arms and ammunition into the Colony. Law-abiding Americans in the Colony will, we are sure, join with us in denouncing as strongly as possible the action of any white man who seeks to exploit for personal profit the gun-loving instincts of Chinese bad characters. There has been great frequency of serious crime in Hongkong of late and the task of the police has often been rendered extremely hazardous by the widespread possession among criminals of up-to-date firearms which have been used upon the slightest provocation. During the past two days there have been reported to the police three cases of armed highway robbery, and two cases of armed house robbery. The question as to where these men secured the arms may well be asked, and we have no doubt that the answer is to be found in the "smuggling of arms into this Colony both by Chinese and foreigners. For ourselves, we can scarcely conceive the type of mind possessed by a white man who will deliberately aid lawlessness and add to the dangers of this fellow foreigners by selling guns and ammunition to the natives. For the man who smuggles opium we have far more understanding, but we should have thought the realization of the tragedies he is helping to make would have proved to a white man a deterrent to trafficking in firearms. There is no doubt that it is from Trans-Pacific American boats that a great many of the illicit arms come, and we can only express the hope that the American authorities will take every possible step to prevent a continuance of the traffic. Failing that, our Government might well consider the advisability of imposing special search regulations.

Gambling in Cotton.

One of the evils of commerce is the tendency by capitalists to gamble in raw materials, or any other marketable commodity, without any thought of what effect this relaxation of their might ultimately have on the general body of consumers. The "big men" of finance create "corners," combine, and so forth, with as the only object in view the accumulation of further wealth, if possible accompanied by the "smashing" of the opponents in the game, the rival capitalists. If any one has wondered why cotton goods cost more than he thinks they should, he has only to read the Reuter cable we published yesterday, referring to Sir C. Macara's allegations in the New York Journal of Commerce, in order to obtain enlightenment. Ere ever the raw material gets to the mills, it has been gambled with until the original price has been doubled, perhaps. This means that the producers and consumers are being equally cheated; the first because they are not receiving more than a fraction of the profit which the middlemen obtain, and the others because they are obliged to pay a great deal more than would cover a legitimate profit to the growers. The more publicity that is given to these matters the better. Cotton is not the only commodity gambled in, and Governments have had before this to step in when the people's very food was being used as a means of "enriching a few at the cost of the many. Restrictive legislation might be extended to other essential supplies with advantage to the public of both hemispheres.

DAY BY DAY.

CREDIT IS THE GROUND UNDER OUR FEET. LET CREDIT COLLAPSE AND THE WHOLE MACHINERY OF LIFE WOULD COME TO A STOP.—*The Gentleman with a Duster.*

Yesterday's health return shows one Chinese case of diphtheria.

"Round the Town" (by "Gadabout") is unavoidably held over until to-morrow.

The Sai An piracy enquiry was continued this afternoon, when the evidence of passengers was taken.

Pearl White appears again on the screen of the World Theatre, from to-night up to Saturday next, in "The Mountain Woman," a special Fox production in seven parts, magnificently portrayed.

Several naval officers left for Home by the Karmala to-day, including: Supr. Lieut. Comdr. Mellor, Comdr. Palm, Comdr. Hardy, Comdr. Edgell, Comdr. Halford and Lieuts. Stokes, Harvey and Crowe. Bishop Nunes was a passenger by the same boat, bound for Bombay.

The four men who were arrested recently at Samshui, alleged to be in possession of printing presses and a large quantity of false Kwangsi notes, were again brought before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning. Defendants were represented by Mr. W. D. Hind. Mr. Hazell (Assistant Crown Solicitor) applied for a further remand, as he had not yet heard from Manning. A week's remand was granted.

There were ten Treasury summonses before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, the defendants being the proprietors of the United Garage and the Star Garage. The offence was that of not putting stamps on receipts for wages. Mr. H. K. Holmes (Crown Solicitor) prosecuted. The Magistrate remarked that this was the first case of the kind to come before him and he would impose a nominal fine of \$1 in each instance.

A woman living at No. 100, Portland Street, Yaumatei, has reported that at two o'clock yesterday afternoon four robbers entered her floor, two armed with revolvers and two with daggers. She and two other women who were in the house were forced into a back cubicle, where they were bound and gagged. The robbers took away her keys and got away with jewellery, clothing and money to the value of \$148.

A broker named Chung Kim-chow, of 210, Des Voeux Road West, has reported to the police that at half-past eleven on Tuesday night he engaged a rickshaw to take him to West Point. Without any instructions, the puller suddenly turned up a side street. Here the unfortunate broker was set upon by four men. One caught him by the neck, two others threw pepper in his eyes, he was dragged from the rickshaw and gagged, his silk coat was torn, and the robbers relieved him of \$100 in notes.

The Superiress and the Sisters of the Conception Institute (Italian Convent) beg to thank Mrs. Severn who kindly consented to open their Bazaar, H. E. the Commodore for the loan of flags and bunting, Prof. Gonzales and his skilful musicians who cheered the meeting with their tasteful performance, Mr. P. K. Kwok for his great help on the occasion, the public and the editors of English and Chinese papers who generously co-operated to the success of such work of charity on behalf of their orphans and destitutes.

Tsui Kwong, a shroff of the Pei Ting Yat shop, 120, Des Voeux Road Central, is at present in hospital as a result of an encounter with armed robbers. He has reported to the police that at 4 a.m. yesterday he was walking in Tung Man Street, carrying a basket. A man came up and, saying he wanted to search the basket, struck him on the head with a hammer and also struck him on the left cheek, on the back of the right hand and on the left shoulder. The shroff's assailant then produced a knife, cut off a bag which was tied on to the basket and which contained \$96 in Canton twenty-cent pieces, and made good his escape.

N.D.L. PASSENGER LINERS.

Pre-War Service Being Resumed.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd passenger service between Europe and the Far East has been resumed, and the first liner of this service is already on the way out. A Telegraph representative was able to obtain some interesting particulars about these N. D. L. vessels from the general agents for South China, the Robert Dollar Co.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd freighters have been running from Bremen and Hamburg to Japan for about nine months now, and these vessels carry a few passengers at considerably reduced rates, but it is only in November that the regular passenger service of pre-war days has been resumed. This service will for the present be carried on by two liners, possessing all the comforts incidental to a pleasurable ocean voyage.

The N. D. L. freighters are the Westfalen (5,423 tons), Holstein (4,967), Schlesien (7,041) and Pfalz (7,127). Their passenger accommodation is limited to about a dozen persons at the most, and, of course, the journey is longer and there are fewer comforts.

The first passenger liner to sail for the East in the resumed service is the Weser, of 9,000 tons gross register. This vessel was only recently off the stocks, and embodies everything that made the former N. D. L. steamers so popular with travellers. She sailed from Hamburg on November 23, and is due at Hongkong on January 7. There is accommodation for 100 first class and 70 third class passengers. No second class passengers are carried. The appointments have been designed to make travelling as comfortable as possible, and among the special features that might be mentioned are an up-to-date hospital with the requisite staff and doctor, and a separate ladies' drawing room; and there is a large complement of stewards and stewardesses. The three decks ensure plenty of space for fresh air and recreation. The cuisine has been given special attention, and will be of a very high standard.

The first class smoking-room was exhibited before erection in the vessel at the Munich Exposition, and was then accorded very favourable comment by visitors. Even the third class accommodation is comparatively comfortable, with separate four-birth cabins, ample deck space, and two dining saloons.

The Weser will be followed by the Werder, sister ship. The schedule of sailings will be a six-weekly one.

The fares are as follow: First class from Hongkong to Hamburg or Rotterdam £102; third class £42. First class from Hongkong to Genoa £94; third class £40.

No English port is touched at. It is interesting to note that many of the officers on these N. D. L. liners were formerly in the company's service on the same run from Europe to Japan.

CARELESS BLASTING.

On New A. P. C. Site.

For carrying out careless blasting operations on the site of the Asiatic Petroleum Company's new building on the corner of Wyndham Street, the firm of Wing Yik, contractors of 25, Gage Street, was summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Police Court this morning.

Sergeant Dyer stated that on November 27th, at 12 noon, he saw a workman lighting a piece of fuse under some stones not more than three feet from the building. The proper warning gongs were sounded, but no covering of heavy timber or of any sort was used. The explosion took place and a lot of dust and small fragments of stone were blown into the street through the open doorway in the building. If the door had been closed, things would have been all right. Persons passing by might easily have been blinded.

Mr. Bennett, who appeared to defend, said it was only a very small explosion under a paving stone. The smallest quantity of black powder was used and there was nothing dangerous about the affair.

After hearing evidence, his Worship imposed a fine of \$50.

ROSE DAY.

Yesterday's Successful Effort.

The sale of roses yesterday on behalf of the poor was a great success, and it is expected that the total receipts will be about \$4,300. Mrs. H. W. Bird and the Rose Sub-Committee desire to thank the ladies who worked so enthusiastically during the whole forenoon. The Committee's thanks are also due to Mr. J. M. Alves for kindly granting the use of his office rooms as the central depot and for the "At Home" to the workers. The Society St. Vincent de Paul desires to acknowledge with thanks the following additional donations to the forthcoming fête:—Miss Azevedo, Kowloon, \$100; Mr. Lau In-ching, \$150; Mr. V. Mafrot, \$20; and "C.M.G." \$5.

Those who assisted in the selling of roses, together with the amounts they secured, were as follow:—

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POLICE COOLIE.

Gets Six Months.

The Chinese store coolie employed at the storeroom of the Central Police Station, who was charged on Monday with stealing 600 rounds of ammunition from the storeroom, was again brought up before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Police Court this morning.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, A.S.P., appeared in Court and stated that Mr. D'Almada, who was defending, had now withdrawn from the case. Mr. Wodehouse asked his Worship to take a serious view of the case, as the man held a position of trust. He had admitted that he had made the false key himself.

The Magistrate said he understood that some ammunition was missing.

Mr. Wodehouse said that that was so, but it could not be proved against the defendant. About 1,000 additional rounds had been taken. When the man was arrested he had \$65 in his possession.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed.

THE CONFUSION IN KWANGSI.

Three Civil Governors and Two Capital Cities!

THE SCRAMBLE FOR OPIUM.

("Hongkong Telegraph" Special.)

Nanning, Nov. 22. Near the end of October, I arrived in Hongkong, on my way to Kwangsi Province, to hear that the West River, from Wuchow up to Nanning, was fast-closed and that eleven missionaries wishing to return to their station were waiting in Wuchow unable to proceed.

Knowing how rapidly the situation in Kwangsi changes from day to day, I took steamer to Wuchow, to find that boats had actually begun to run again, though as yet none had returned to report their experiences. Letters had come through saying that one motor boat carrying a party of Americans had gone through a perfect rain of bullets not far from Tang Yuen. The foreigners found, on inquiry, that the commander of the boat had refused to pay the blackmail demanded, and had thus brought down the wrath of the soldiers. Lying flat among the bales of cargo, the passengers escaped injury—all, that is, except one little boy, who lifted his head to see what was happening and was slightly wounded in the face by falling splinters of glass.

The next boat, which had American missionaries on board, was stopped three times—once by Canton troops, once by Lo To's "Red Heads" and once by Kwangsi soldiers, and forced to pay a fine before being allowed to proceed.

A few days later I left on one of the little river motorboats and arrived in the afternoon at Tang Yuen, where we were anchored till the next morning. Probably the various parties demanding money had agreed to share what was paid out at Tang Yuen, for we had no more trouble all the way up the river.

The Tang Yuen people were in a state of tension, wondering what would happen when Lo To and his troops appeared. They were expected daily, and it was known that Lo To, with an enormous haul of opium, was anxious to push his way through Kwangsi to Canton, and there dispose of his prize. But the squeeze demanded by officials in Canton and Wuchow was evidently more than he was prepared to pay, and the question was—would he try to force his way through, or would some agreement be arrived at?

Procession of "Red Heads." The "Red Heads" were supposed to be at Mung Kung, but when we arrived there the next morning we saw nothing of them, though the town was full of overflowing of Kwangsi soldiers. But later on, as we neared Peng Nam, we passed the "Red Heads" marching in single file along the narrow track on the steep hillside which sloped down to the river. It was like watching a long procession of ants—one after another, one after another, while now and then the line was broken by a pack horse or a mule heavily laden, or a rough stretch bearing a wounded man. The officers looked smart and well-dressed, the men ragged and unkempt, but they walked as if they were in good condition. The procession started from what had evidently been their camp during the night, and two motor boats and a little fleet of sampans were still anchored there.

A Delighted Town. At Peng Nam, we heard that the "Red Heads" with their opium had left the town the day before, and were said to be on their way to Kweilin. Evidently Lo To had decided that the squeeze demanded was too heavy, so he is going out of the province another way!

We found the whole town frantic with delight—people crowded to the temples to thank the idols and held feasts to congratulate each other on the departure of the soldiers. At the same time, they have really suffered very little during the two weeks since Lo To arrived, for his men are under excellent discipline, behaved well and paid in good money for all they bought. Only a few days before, two men had been shot, one for taking goods from a shop without paying for them, and the other for stealing a rifle.

Lo To is, of course, hand in glove with Sun Yat-sen, as is Cheung Hoi-tse, the General from Yunnan, who helped two years ago to oust Tong Kai-in from Yunnan, and is now believed to

be somewhere in the vicinity of Kwei Feng.

The general opinion in Nanning is that Luk Wing-ting will not at present return to Nanning. As an old Chinese gentleman said, "Luk Wing-ting is too big a man to come back to Nanning as anything less than he was before." Evidently the fact that he has been driven out and conquered counts for nothing. Luk Wing-ting is still the great Luk Wing-ting!

The Rival Governors.

Meanwhile the usual confusion reigns. Although Mung, the present Civil Governor, resigned a few weeks ago and returned to his native city, Sz Ngan, he has come back at the urgent request of Lam, the Commander-in-Chief, and is now in Nanning. But at the same time, Wu Pei-fu has called upon Cheung Kwei-wong to be Civil Governor of Kwangsi, and Cheung Kwei-wong, though he has not himself arrived in Kweilin, has established his yamen outside the building announcing that "This is the yamen of the Civil Governor of Kwangsi."

It seems, however, that Sham Tsun-huen, the former Governor of the Two Kwangs (Kwangtung and Kwangsi) would also like to come back once more as Governor of this province. He has, therefore, sent Kwok Ch'un-sham as his representative to Kweilin, and Kwok has established himself in another yamen, which also bears Chinese characters announcing that "This is the yamen of the Civil Governor of Kwangsi"—so that to-day Kwangsi has no less than three different Civil Governors and two capital cities!

Much as Sham Tsun-huen may desire to return to Kwangsi, he is helpless without military aid; but it is well known that Luk Wing-ting has telegraphed to Sham Hung-ying, now at Lao Chao with his troops, to return to Nanning. Onlookers at this extraordinary game of chess can only surmise that Luk and Sham Tsun-huen have come to some secret understanding, and are relying on Sham Hung-ying's army to support them.

Sham Hung-ying has sent communication to the military officials in charge of Kwei Feng, Kwai Yuen and Kweilin, assuring them that he comes in peace, that he does not wish to fight, but will hold councils with them, and he begs them not to allow the common people to be disturbed or panic-stricken. Sham Hung-ying may have the intentions in the world of coming peaceably, but what about the present Commander-in-Chief, and his army, who recaptured Nanning from the hands of the Cantonese this year, and who is now in possession of the city?

During the Canton Army occupation of Nanning, Lam supported his troops out of his own pocket, while they were wandering in the mountains and in the caves of Kwangsi, and suffering untold hardships. According to the Chinese point of view, he ought at least to be allowed to hold his official position securely until he has reimbursed himself for his enormous expenditure during those months in the wilderness.

Once again the optimistic ones are hopeful that an arrangement will be arrived at between Luk, Sham, and Lam. They suggest that Sham Hung-ying may be appointed Tuk Paan in association with the present Commander-in-Chief, and thus everybody may be appeased.

The Opium Trade.

An outsider, who does not know the province intimately, will probably enquire in astonishment, what is there in a shaved, and shorn province, ruined already by invading armies, band of robbers and pirates, to excite such immense competition for official positions. The answer is just one word—Opium. Everybody to-day in Nanning talks opium, thinks opium, dreams opium, smuggles opium and snatches at every silver coin available to send to Posh for the purchase of opium. The result is obvious—there is practically no silver in circulation in the city, and the paper dollar is worth just 25 cents! The silver all goes to Posh comes back as opium, which is smuggled down to Canton, and sold there for silver which comes back to Nan-

ning to be forwarded to Posh for more opium. Trade is absolutely dead—nobody can afford to buy anything except bare necessities, and if they could, there is nothing much to buy.

Again the result is obvious—If there is nothing to do, the days drag heavily, and the only resource is to gamble; so the whole city is given over to one mad craze for gambling: men in the tea-houses and fan-tan shops, women in their homes and children on the doorsteps.

The streets of Posh are thronged with one incessant stream of coolies carrying opium in from Kwei Chow, and General Lau Wai-tong has established a station, where he takes toll of the amount brought in and levies a tax, the money thus obtained being used, so he asserts, to pay his soldiers, who defend the highroads and waterways.

In Nanning the toll of opium has also been kept and a tax, exactly double the amount of that in Posh, levied, but there has been much discussion among the officials as to what should be done with the money thus collected, with the result that within the last few days there has been established in Nanning an office called the Ch'au Heung Chung Kuk, to collect the tax (?) and see that it is used to pay the soldiers.

Taxed in Posh, again in Nanning, the opium is smuggled through the city, and placed on boats for Wuchow, and one would like to know how much "hush-money" and other "squeeze" has to be paid before it finally reaches Canton.

The People Suffer.

Those who have the real interests of the province at heart, complain bitterly that it is the officials themselves who are implicated in this trade, instead of trying to put it down and stamp it out. As always, the burden falls on the common people. Wages are paid in paper money, and though the paper dollar is worth only a quarter of its face value, employees in the hongs are only getting double their original pay.

The price of foodstuffs, however, has not risen as much as was feared. The following are the market prices to-day, at the end of the month of November:—

Rice—\$14 or \$15 a picul.
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These prices are in paper money, which means that living is still quite reasonable for those fortunate enough to be paid in silver, but, as I said before, the ordinary employee is paid in paper, and already there is a rumour of strikes threatening in the larger hongs.

The soldiers are paid at the rate of 30 cents (paper) a day, and have to feed themselves. The Chinese newspapers advise that they be paid in copper cents, which are being turned out at the Mint inside the South Gate of the city, and are exchanged at the rate of 6 copper cents for 10 cents paper money.

The Treasury has already issued a proclamation that they will change one paper dollar per head for 60 cents in coppers each day, which means that the would-be applicant for his ration of coppers, must spend the greater part of a working day waiting his turn at the Treasury gate, amid a struggling mass of humanity!

The most contented people to-day seem to be the villagers, who work hard in their fields, planting vegetables, and carrying their produce into the city—for men must eat to live, even if they live only to gamble and to smuggle opium.

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BILLIARDS.

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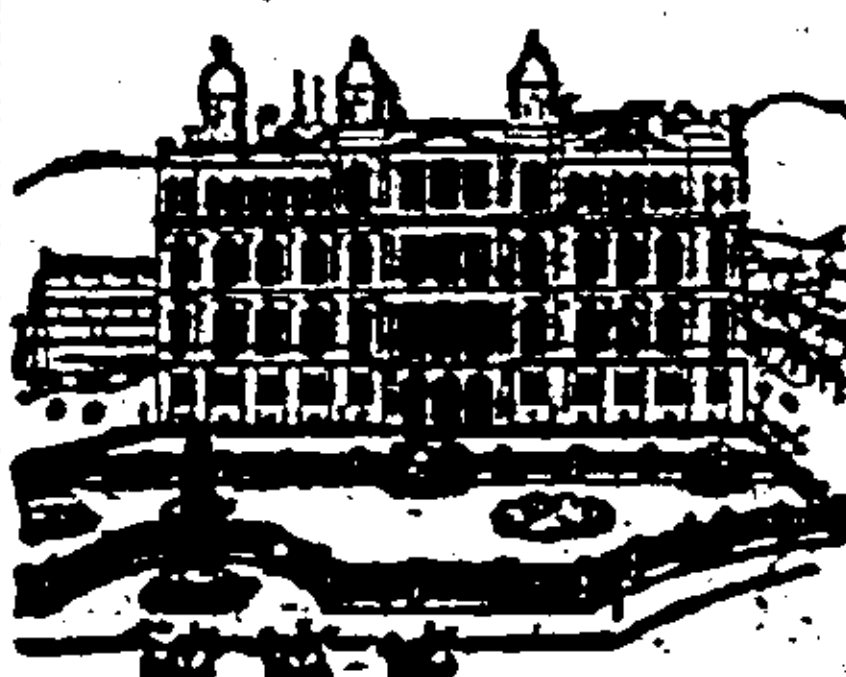
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The management of the Canton-Hankow Railway has despatched a body of engineers to survey the road from Shinkwan

to Hankow for the purpose of expediting the construction of the line.

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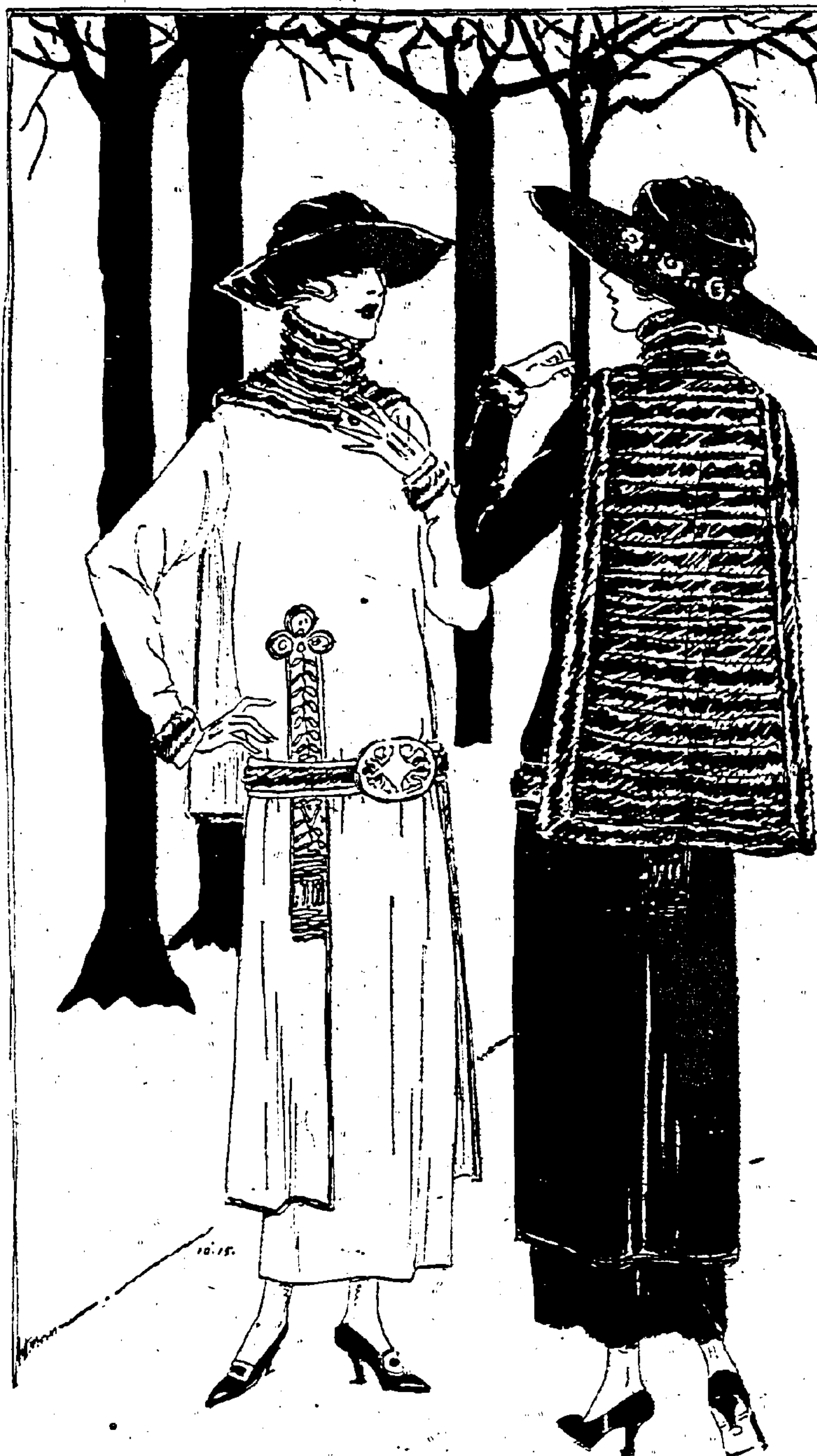
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Fashion Notes & News.



Two views of a frock of taupe velvet. There is a detachable fur collar which forms a cape at the back and buttons about the throat.

FASHION FOR HAND-MADE TRIMMINGS.

Hand-made trimmings of exquisite beauty are the great characteristic of the new dresses. This new adornment introduces a distinction to dresses even of the simplest design, raising them quite out of the ordinary run of ready-to-wear models.

The latest frocks introduce panels and yokes composed of small motifs made of crepe georgette, satin, ribbon and embroideries, which, taking the form of fruit or flowers of conventional design, are skillfully joined together by a kind of glorified patchwork.

Little ruchings and ruckings of ribbon, used with tiny hand-made tucks, are also brought into play to trim some of the otherwise severely plain crepe gowns of the moment. In connection with these, it is interesting to note that these elaborate trimmings are chiefly kept for the adornment of skirts and sleeves.

TWO-COLOUR DRESSES. Another novelty trimming introduces the original effect of joining two-colour dresses by means of wonderful appliques and embroideries. In some of these models one sees the most startlingly novel effects. A dress of black and white crepe marocain was arranged so that the front of the dress looked as if it were all white, and the back all black, the two sharply contrasting colours being united by black and white embroidered panels at the sides, reappearing again in the form of elaborate trimmings to form the wide, open-cuffed sleeves.

Swirls of ribbon forming rosettes are another favourite form of decoration.

FOR THE CHILDREN.

Little washing dresses of soft woollen material may be trimmed with small wooden beads, worked into a design with coarse, brightly coloured wool. Girdles of wooden beads, threaded with coloured string, are very pretty, and will often transform a shabby frock into a garment worth wearing for a month or two longer.

THE NEW MATERIALS.

The delightful new woollen brocades are the latest manufacturers' triumph, and enter into competition with the plain surfaced crepes that have ruled so long.

Another novelty fabric is boldly checked duratyn, which possesses a very clear pattern.

Brocaded crepes and reps, which introduce raised designs of foliage and flowers, carried out in a contrasting colour to the background, are having quite a rage as trimmings to gabardine and serge costfrocks, or for fashioning straight hip-length jackets.

It is noticeable that very small patterns are used in all these woollen brocades; while raised striped effects achieved by a series of closely-massed loops, worked on to a different coloured rep foundation, is another design that is coming in for great popularity.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

A Delicious Savoury.

Cut as many tomatoes as are required into rounds. Place each slice of tomato on a small round of hot buttered toast or fried bread, and sprinkle thickly with grated cheese and a tiny pinch of cayenne. Decorate with chopped capers, and place in the oven for a few minutes. Serve when hot.

Note.—If liked a small piece of butter or margarine may be placed on the top of each tomato before putting them into the oven.

UPHOLSTERY AND HATS.

Every season more fabrics and materials are pressed into millinery service. For the autumn some most attractive pull-on hats are made of the richly tinted and handsomely designed furniture brocades hitherto associated with hangings, cushions, and gorgeously upholstered settees. In wonderful colourings, often shot with threads of gold, are the beautiful brocades used for hats.

But the new mode opens up a big field for the clever-fingered woman, for furniture brocade is very wide, and the short length sufficient for making a small pull-on hat costs very little, even of the most expensive, so there is no reason why she should not indulge in one of these smart chapeaux to "go with" each of her frocks.

Weather-proof and cosy, with the rich colour effect of brocade, they are ideal for the brightly tinted autumn days.

SHOP ALONE!

It is always a fatal mistake to shop with friends. They exclaim how much a certain garment suits you, and though in the depths of your heart you feel otherwise, you give way to their pleadings and spend a sleepless night in consequence.

Visit the shops alone, and if not quite sure that a certain coat or hat is the very thing you require, say you will "think it over," and depart as gracefully as possible. The next day will tell you whether you really want the article you have seen.

Shopping with friends means that you drift into a shop talking busily about anything in the world but the object of your quest, and you make up your mind hurriedly because you feel that you are detaining your companions and wasting their time.

PAINTED LACE TRIMMING.

For those on the lookout for some novel touch, a new departure for trimming is painted and gilded lace. Only the coarsest type of lace is used, and this is touched into rainbow tints varied with glints of gold until the original colour is entirely painted over.

Pattern and design are not studied, and the effect is of "run" colours without attempt at tinting border or motif in any definite or repeated shade.

It is suggested to those who propose to utilise this novelty trimming that fast dyes or colours should be used for the purpose of tinting the lace.

THOUGHTS.

All the great events of this globe are like the globe itself, of which one-half is in full daylight and the other half is plunged in obscurity.

The spirit of a person's life is ever shedding some power, just as a flower is steadily bestowing fragrance upon the air.

A little library growing larger every year is an honourable part of a man's history. It is a man's duty to have books. A library is not a luxury, but one of the necessities of life.

Well-timed silence hath more eloquence than speech.

OF INTEREST.

A lavender chiffon dance frock comes in a shaded tone that is deeper at the hem. It has a lovely girdle of silver leaves arranged on a blue girle.

One of the most lovely evening frocks seen recently was of violet-coloured chiffon velvet with draperies cut very low and held in place with rhinestones.

Lizard-skin cloth is one of the new materials of the season. It is particularly liked in the soft shades of brown and tan and the new greens.

Many of the smart street frocks of wool are entirely embroidered in silk floss or elaborately beaded in rather large wooden beads.



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TRAFFIC TO BURMA, CEYLON, INDIA, PERSIAN GULF, WEST INDIES, MAURITIUS, EAST & SOUTH AFRICA, AUSTRALASIA, INCLUDING NEW ZEALAND & QUEENSLAND PORTS, RED SEA, EGYPT, EUROPE, ETC.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS

(UNDER CONTRACT WITH H. M. GOVERNMENT.)

S.S.	Tonnage	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
KARMAIA	9,000	6 Dec. 11 a.m.	B'bay, M'les, L'don, A'werp
SICILIA	6,700	19th Dec.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KASHGAR	9,000	27th Dec.	B'bay, M'les, L'don, A'werp
PLASSY	7,400	10th Jan.	M'les, London & Antwerp
ARDURIA	6,700	24th Jan.	M'les, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	6,850	7th Feb.	M'les, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

TORILLA	5,200	22nd Dec.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta.
JAPAN	6,000	31st Dec.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ARAFURA	6,000	3rd Jan.	Manila, Thursday Is-land, T'ville, B'bane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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Frequent sailings from Australia with the following:-
 The P. & O. Company's steamers to the United Kingdom via New Zealand, Australia, and the Cape of Good Hope.
 The P. & O. Company's steamers to London via the Cape.
 The P. & O. Company's steamers to South America and London via the Cape.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

SICILIA	6,700	9th Dec. noon.	Shanghai
ARAFURA	6,000	9th Dec.	Japan direct
JAPAN	6,000	10th Dec.	Japan

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
 WIRELESS ON ALL STEAMERS.
 Parcels Measuring not more than 8 ft. x 4 ft. x 1 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.

For Passage Rates, Handbooks, Freight etc., apply to
MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO
 Agents,
 44, Des Voeux Road Central.

GLEN AND SHIRE.

JOINT SERVICE OF STEAMERS.

S.S., STRAITS, CHINA & JAPAN Service.
OUTWARDS.

Vessel	Due Hongkong.
S.S. GLENBEG	18th December.
S.S. GLENSANDA	1st January.
S.S. RADNORSURE	17th January.
S.S. GLENSHANE	26th January.

HOMEWARDS.

Vessel	Leaves Hongkong.	Discharges.
S.S. GLENIFFER	7th Jan.	L'DON, HULL, A'WERP, B'DAM, H'BURG.
S.S. CARNARVONSHIRE	17th Jan.	GENOA, LONDON, HULL, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG.

Movements are subject to change without notice.
 For freight or further particulars please apply to:-

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.**THE GLEN LINE, LTD**AGENTS
Telephone Central No. 215, sub-ex. 23 and 3695**JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.**

REGULAR FORTNIGHTLY

SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA and JAPAN.

Steamer	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	For
Tjisondari	Batavia	in port	7th Dec.	Shanghai.
Tjilong...	Amoy	17th Dec.	14th Dec.	B'via via Banks.
Tjiki...	Amoy	23rd Dec.	24th Dec.	Makassar S'baia

The steamers are all fitted throughout with electric light and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon-passengers. All steamers carry a duly qualified surgeon. Cargo taken at through rates to all ports in Netherlands-India and Australia.

For Freight and Passage apply to the

Java-China-Japan Lijn.

Telephone Central No. 1574. York Buildings.

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

Sailings:- To Canton daily at 8 a.m. & 10 p.m. (Sun. 10 p.m. only)
 From Canton daily at 8 a.m. & 5 p.m. (Sundays 5 p.m. only)

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

Sailings to Macao Daily at 8 a.m. (Sundays at 9 a.m. only)

Sailings from Macao Daily at 8 a.m. (Sundays at 3 p.m. only)

Further information may be obtained at the Company's office, 44 Des Voeux Road Central, Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son or the American Express Company, Hongkong.

Shipping to Europe, Australia, and other Ports.

N. Y. K.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE & VANCOUVER via S'hai & Japan ports.

Through Bills of Lading issued to all Overland Common Points in U.S.A. & Canada.

SHIZUOKA MARU ... Wednesday, 20th Dec., at 11 a.m.

YOKOHAMA M. (Calling Manila) Thurs., 11th Jan. at 11 a.m.

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, etc.

HAKOZAKI MARU ... Saturday, 9th Dec. at 11 a.m.

KITANO MARU ... Wednesday, 20th Dec. at 11 a.m.

LAMBURG via LONDON, ROTTERDAM.

LISBON MARU ... Sunday, 10th December.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES.

TATSUNO MARU ... Wednesday, 6th December.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, etc.

TANGO MARU ... Tuesday, 19th Dec. at 11 a.m.

YOSHINO MARU ... Tuesday, 16th Jan. at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & BOSTON via PANAMA.

DURBAN MARU ... End of December.

BUENOS AIRES via S'pore, Delagoa Bay, Durban & Cape Town.

LOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

NAGATO MARU ... Sunday, 10th December.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

TOKUSHIMA MARU ... Saturday, 9th Dec.

YAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

YOSHINO MARU ... Friday, 15th Dec. at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

NAGASAKI MARU ... Thursday, 7th Dec.

KAMO MARU ... Thursday, 7th Dec. at 11 a.m.

For further information apply to: **NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.**

Tel. Central Nos. 292 & 293. K. H. KAMEI, Manager.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

REGULAR SAILINGS TO NEW YORK & BOSTON.

FOR NEW YORK & BOSTON.

S.S. "WRAY CASTLE" ... Sailing on or about 18th Dec.

S.S. "HOW CASTLE" ... Sailing on or about Middle Jan.

LLOYD TRIESTINO.

Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading for Levant, Black Sea and Danube Ports.

FIUME having been re-opened for traffic, cargo is also accepted for this port on through Bills of Lading.

FOR SHANGHAI.

S.S. "FIUME" ... Sailing on or about 10th January.

For BRINDISI, VENICE & TRIESTE.

Via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

S.S. "NIPPON" ... Sailing on or about 20th December.

S.S. "FIUME" ... Sailing second half of January.

Passengers' Luggage can be insured at the office of the Agents.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS

Regular Passenger and Cargo Service.

FROM CALCUTTA TO SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

S.S. "UMONA" ... Sailing on or about 20th December.

Through Bills of Lading issued from Hongkong.

For Freight or Passage on any of the above Lines apply to:-

DODWELL & CO., LTD.Agents.
Telephone Central 1030.**AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE.**

HONGKONG TO PHILIPPINES & AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

SAILING (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Steamer	Arrives Hongkong from Australia.	Leaves Hongkong for Australia.
TAIYUAN	2nd Dec.	8th Dec. at 4 p.m.
CHANGSHA	30th Dec.	4th Jan.

This steamer is fitted with Refrigerating machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of ice, fresh provisions etc., and has superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. Reduced Fare. Cargo booked through to all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian ports.

For Freight and Passage apply to

Butterfield & Swire.

(JOHN SWIRE & SON, LTD.)

Agents.
Telephone Central No. 36.**"ELLERMAN" LINE.**

(Ellerman & Bucknall S.S. Co., Ltd.)

UNITED KINGDOM & CONTINENT SERVICE.

OUTWARDS.

"City of York" ... 22nd Dec ... S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.

HOMEWARDS.

"City of Paris" ... 23rd Dec. ... Marcellles, London & Rotterdam.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

"City of Paris" ... 23rd Dec. ... Marcellles & London.

"City of York" ... 11th Feb. ...

"City of Simla" ... Mid. March. ...

"City of Poona" ... Mid. April. ...

Subject to change without notice.

For further particulars apply to

REISS & CO.

CANTON.

THE BANK LINE, LTD.

(Tel. Central 80.)

COASTAL SHIPPING.

INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination	Steamer	Sailing
TTAO via S'hai & S'hai	Yatsing	Thurs. 7th Dec. at 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow Mingsang	Fri. 8th Dec. at 10 a.m.	
MANILA	Loongsang	Fri. 8th Dec. at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Kutsang	Sat. 9th Dec. at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow Chidar	Mon. 11th Dec. at 10 a.m.	
TTAO via S'hai & S'hai	Hopsang	Tues. 13th Dec. at 8 a.m.
TTAO via S'hai & S'hai	Hangsang	Thurs. 14th Dec. at 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Thurs. 14th Dec. at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Fri. 15th Dec. at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow Kwalsang	Mon. 18th Dec. at 10 a.m.	
KOBE	Hosang	Thurs. 21st Dec. at noon.

CALCUTTA LINE:- This Line now affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and Singapore. Returning from Calcutta steamers proceed via Straits and Hongkong to Japan occasionally calling at Shanghai.

All steamers have excellent passenger accommodation, are fitted with Electric Light & Fans and carry a fully qualified Surgeon. SHANGHAI LINE:- Sailings approximately every three days between Canton and Shanghai, sometimes calling at Swatow. Through tickets can be obtained and through Bills of Lading are issued all to Northern and Yangtze Ports via Shanghai.

MANILA LINE:- A weekly service is maintained with Manila by vessels with good passenger accommodation, sailings from both ports every Friday.

HAIPHONG LINE:- Sailings approximately weekly for passengers and cargo, calling at Hoihow when inducement offers.

BORNEO LINE:- Fortnightly sailings to and from Sandakan by two 5,000 ton steamers s.s. "HINSANG" & "MAUSANG" both steamers having excellent passenger accommodation. Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading for Kudat, Jesselton, Labuan, Tawao and Lahad Datu.

TIENTSIN LINE:- A regular service is run from March to Nov. between Hong & Tientsin calling at Weihaiwei & Chefoo.

BANGKOK LINE:- A weekly service is provided between Hong-kong and Bangkok, via Swatow, by five steamers fitted with up-to-date passenger accommodation.

CALCUTTA LINE.

S.S. "Kutsang" will be despatched on or about Saturday, 9th Dec., at 3 p.m. for SINGAPORE, RANGOON & CALCUTTA. Through Bills of Lading issued to RANGOON, FORT SWETTENHAM & MADRAS & DUTCH EAST INDIES.

For Freight or Passage apply to:-

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.

Telephone Central No. 215. General Managers.

C. N. C.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers	To Sail.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	Soochow	7th Dec. at d'light.
SWATOW & AMOY	Chenank	7th Dec. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Sinkiang	9th Dec. at d'light.
SWATOW, AMOY & S'hai	Kailong	10th Dec. at d'light.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yingchow	12th Dec. at d'light.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Kailan	12th Dec. at 10 a.m.
H'HOW, P'HOI, P'PHONG	Yunnan	12th Dec. at 10 a.m.
MENTSIN	Kueichow	12th Dec. at 4 p.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	Suiyang	14th Dec. at d'light.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Sunning	16th Dec. at d'light.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	Linan	16th Dec. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & PUKOW	Luchow	17th Dec. at d'light.

SHANGHAI LINE:- PASSENGERS, MAILS AND CARGO. Ex. el. ent. Saloon accommodation and ships with Electric Fans fitted. Regular Schedule service four times weekly between Canton, Hongkong and Shanghai, leaving Hongkong Sundays (extending to Fokow), Tuesdays and Saturdays (extending to Tsingtao), and Thursdays (via Amoy). Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and North China Ports. Passengers for Shanghai do not require to tranship at Woosung.

BANGKOK LINE:- Regular weekly service leaving Hongkong Tuesdays to and from Bangkok via Swatow maintained by new "K" class steamers, attractively fitted for passengers, with double and single berth cabins.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

(John Swire & Sons, Ltd.)

AGENTS.
Telephone Central No. 36.

Cargo and baggage can be insured at the above office.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO. LTD.

HONGKONG & SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS SERVICE.

Regular Service of Fast, High Class Coast Steamers having good accommodation for First Class Passengers. Electric Light and Fans in state-rooms and Saloon and Excellent Cuisine.

For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow and Returns.

(Occupying 9 to 10 days.)

Steamships.	Captain.	Leaving.
Halfong...	W. S. Turnbull...	FRI. 8th Dec. at noon.
Halfong...	W. O. Paramore...	TUES. 12th Dec. at 1 p.m.
Halfong...	J. S. Thomson...	FRI. 15th Dec. at 1 p.m.

Calling at Amoy for Passengers only.

Arrivals and Departures from the Co's Wharf (near Blake Pier.)

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CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE ADMIRAL ORIENTAL

LINE INC.

The Steamship

"PRESIDENT JACKSON"

having arrived from Seattle

via ports, on 2nd Dec.,

consignees are hereby notified

that their cargo is being landed

at their risk into the Hazardous

and/or Extra-Hazardous Go-

downs of the Hongkong and

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.,

at Kowloon & stored at consi-

gnees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must pro-

duce an Import permit signed by

the Superintendent of Imports

and Exports, Hongkong, before

Bills of Lading will be counter-

signed.

All broken, chafed and damag-</

DR. SUN ON THE WARPATH

Remarkable Interview Published in Japan.

"ASIA FOR THE ASIATICS."

Japan had aided the Teutonic Powers in the World War, all Asia would have risen against the Whites, and to-day there would have been an Asia controlled by the Asiatics. Dr. Sun Yat-sen, former "President" of the Canton government, has declared in an interview with a representative of the *Jiji* at Shanghai.

In joining in the World War on the side of the Allied Powers, Japan failed to utilize the golden opportunity of making Asia exclusive for the Asiatics," said Dr. Sun. "Such an Asia would have opposed the Whites, especially the Anglo-Saxons. At the beginning of the World War, I wrote Mr. Inukai, president of the Kōmeitō, urging Japan to assist the Teutonic Powers, thereby impairing the relative strength of the Anglo-Saxons and balancing the power of the world. The result of such a situation would have been the promotion of the position of Japan to the real leadership of the Asiatics. But Japan did not accept my advice, thus letting slip a heaven-sent opportunity of making herself the leader of the Orient."

If Japan had understood what is called high politics, and if she had been bold enough to declare war against the allies Annam and Singapore would have risen in arms against France and England. There is not the slightest doubt that the Indians would have revolted against Great Britain and that the Turks and Chinese would have recovered their national consciousness and supported Japan in her effort to unite Asia.

"OPPORTUNITY" FOR CHINA. As it is, Japan participated in the war on the side of the Allied countries with the result that realization of the Pan-Asiatic plan has been delayed indefinitely. As Japan has shown herself incapable of seizing this opportunity, it will be China that will be called upon to make Asia a place for Asiatics in the future.

In the early days of the World War, I called upon various Japanese statesmen of influence and urged them to use their weight in influencing public opinion in favour of participation on the side of Germany. They, however, refused to listen to me seriously. Some on them, indeed, showed agreement with my view, but when it came to action, they hesitated. And the result is that the best opportunity of making Asia Asiatic in every sense has been lost.

It is not too late for Japan to undo what she did blindly during the war. If Japan really wishes to see Asia controlled by the Asiatics, she must promote relations with the Russians. Russians are Asiatics. There runs in their veins Asiatic blood. Japan must make common cause with the Russians in opposing the aggression of the Anglo-Saxons. In shaking hands with Russia in the work of asserting the rights of the Asiatic alone lies hope of salvation from the catastrophe to which Japan and the other Oriental countries are being forced by the insatiable ambition of Anglo-Saxons."

ABOYNE CASTLE SOLD

Negotiation have been completed for the sale of the Aboyné Castle estates to Mr. James Meares of Morrison's Economic Stores, Aberdeen, and the purchase price is stated to amount to six figures.

Aboyné Castle is about 250 years old, and for long was the principal seat of the Marquis of Huntly. The estate embraces an area of 5,600 acres, of which 2,034 acres are arable, 1,900 acres moor and rough pasture, and the remaining 1,666 acres of woodland policies and roads.

EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRIA-ASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.

1514/22nd Gilbert Lee, care American Consul, from New York. 1922/19th J. W. Blacknell, Passenger Express of Russia, from New York. 1751/25th Lavede, from Lue-rov. 1756/25th Verex, from San Francisco.

M. E. F. ABEY, Superintendent, Hongkong, November 30, 1922.

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO. LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at 4A Des Voeux Road Central Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong on Tuesday, the 5th day of December, 1922, at noon, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, approving the draft new Articles of the Company which will be submitted to the Meeting.

A print of such new Articles and a print of the existing Articles of the Company may be seen at the Registered Office of the Company, 4A Des Voeux Road Central Victoria aforesaid and at the Office of Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon & Harston 1 Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria aforesaid and the portions of the proposed new Articles which differ from the existing Articles are indicated by being underlined in red.

Should the Meeting approve of such new Articles with or without modification, the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—

That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a FURTHER EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the same place, on Friday, the 22nd day of December, 1922, at noon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution, the above mentioned Resolution.

Dated this 18th day of November, 1922.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.

RAINBOW CHASING

[S] an unsatisfactory job. Begin now to SAVE regularly and you will have something substantial in your possession for old age.

A NEW LOCAL BANK.—Starting business to-day, December 5, gives another choice and opportunity for saving YOUR MONEY. We can make your money grow.

NAME.—The China Industries Development Banking Corporation Ltd.

BANK ADDRESS.—5, Duddell Street, Hongkong.

INTEREST.—For Fixed Deposits: 1 year 6%, 6 months 5%, 3 months 4%, For Current Account 3%, For Special Deposit (personal arrangement), For Current Savings 3%, For Fixed Savings (regulations obtainable).

CHIU CHU KEH, Manager.

Hongkong December 5th, 1922.

FOR SALE AT REPULSE BAY.

OT/R/B 158 (31,200 sq. ft.) A well situated newly built fully furnished modern two storey house. Dining room, Drawing Room, 3 Bed 3 Bath Flush closets. Drying room, Garage, Tennis court, Servants' quarters on modern plan. House has big open verandahs and good surrounding grounds. Electric light throughout. Hot water service, and telephone. Private path to beach. Offers to purchase to be sent to Messrs. Brunner Mond & Co. (China) Limited 7 Queens Rd Central on or before the 15th of December 1922.

Applications to view may be had at the offices of Messrs. Brunner Mond & Co. (China) Ltd., 7 Queens Road Central.

TIDE TABLE.

5th to 12th Dec. 1922.

5d	6d	High Water	Low Water	5d	6d	High Water	Low Water
5d	6d	Mean Time	Mean Time	5d	6d	Mean Time	Mean Time
h. m.	h. m.			h. m.	h. m.		
Wed. 5	Mon. 11	4.8	u. 4.45	Wed. 5	Mon. 11	4.8	u. 4.45
Th. 6	Tue. 12	5.1	u. 4.55	Th. 6	Tue. 12	5.1	u. 4.55
Fri. 7	Wed. 1	5.4	u. 5.05	Fri. 7	Wed. 1	5.4	u. 5.05
Sat. 8	Th. 2	5.7	u. 5.15	Sat. 8	Th. 2	5.7	u. 5.15
Sun. 9	Fri. 3	6.0	u. 5.25	Sun. 9	Fri. 3	6.0	u. 5.25
Mon. 10	Sat. 4	6.3	u. 5.35	Mon. 10	Sat. 4	6.3	u. 5.35
Tue. 11	Sun. 5	6.6	u. 5.45	Tue. 11	Sun. 5	6.6	u. 5.45
Wed. 12	Mon. 6	6.9	u. 5.55	Wed. 12	Mon. 6	6.9	u. 5.55
Th. 13	Tue. 7	7.2	u. 6.05	Th. 13	Tue. 7	7.2	u. 6.05
Fri. 14	Wed. 8	7.5	u. 6.15	Fri. 14	Wed. 8	7.5	u. 6.15
Sat. 15	Th. 9	7.8	u. 6.25	Sat. 15	Th. 9	7.8	u. 6.25
Sun. 16	Fri. 10	8.1	u. 6.35	Sun. 16	Fri. 10	8.1	u. 6.35
Mon. 17	Sat. 11	8.4	u. 6.45	Mon. 17	Sat. 11	8.4	u. 6.45
Tue. 18	Sun. 12	8.7	u. 6.55	Tue. 18	Sun. 12	8.7	u. 6.55
Wed. 19	Mon. 1	9.0	u. 7.05	Wed. 19	Mon. 1	9.0	u. 7.05
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Fri. 21	Wed. 3	9.6	u. 7.25	Fri. 21	Wed. 3	9.6	u. 7.25
Sat. 22	Th. 4	9.9	u. 7.35	Sat. 22	Th. 4	9.9	u. 7.35
Sun. 23	Fri. 5	10.2	u. 7.45	Sun. 23	Fri. 5	10.2	u. 7.45
Mon. 24	Sat. 6	10.5	u. 7.55	Mon. 24	Sat. 6	10.5	u. 7.55
Tue. 25	Sun. 7	10.8	u. 8.05	Tue. 25	Sun. 7	10.8	u. 8.05
Wed. 26	Mon. 8	11.1	u. 8.15	Wed. 26	Mon. 8	11.1	u. 8.15
Th. 27	Tue. 9	11.4	u. 8.25	Th. 27	Tue. 9	11.4	u. 8.25
Fri. 28	Wed. 10	11.7	u. 8.35	Fri. 28	Wed. 10	11.7	u. 8.35
Sat. 29	Th. 11	12.0	u. 8.45	Sat. 29	Th. 11	12.0	u. 8.45
Sun. 30	Fri. 12	12.3	u. 8.55	Sun. 30	Fri. 12	12.3	u. 8.55
Mon. 31	Sat. 1	12.6	u. 9.05	Mon. 31	Sat. 1	12.6	u. 9.05

m. morning a. afternoon

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10.00	to	11.00 a.m.		15 min.
11.30	to	12.15 p.m.		15 min.
12.30 p.m.	to	2.30 p.m.		15 min.
2.30	to	3.00 p.m.		15 min.
3.00	to	3.15 p.m.		15 min.